

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**HOUSE BILL 2585**

63rd Legislature  
2014 Regular Session

Passed by the House February 17, 2014  
Yeas 97 Nays 0

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate March 13, 2014  
Yeas 48 Nays 0

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**President of the Senate**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 2585** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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**Chief Clerk**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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By Representatives Walsh and Pettigrew; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Read first time 01/21/14. Referred to Committee on Early Learning & Human Services.

1 AN ACT Relating to income eligibility for temporary assistance for  
2 needy families benefits for a child; and amending RCW 74.12.037.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 74.12.037 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 42 s 4 are each amended  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The department shall adopt rules(~~(, effective November 1,~~  
7 ~~2011,)~~) establishing income eligibility for temporary assistance for  
8 needy families benefits for a child, other than a foster child, who  
9 lives with a caregiver other than his or her parents. The department  
10 shall establish a sliding scale benefit standard for a child when the  
11 income of the child's caregiver is above two hundred percent but below  
12 three hundred percent of the federal poverty level based on family  
13 size. A caregiver with an income above three hundred percent of the  
14 federal poverty level shall not be eligible for temporary assistance  
15 for needy families benefits for a child, not a foster child, who is  
16 residing with that caregiver.

17 (2)(a) For purposes of this section, the department may, by rule,  
18 exempt fifty percent of a caregiver's unearned income in determining

1 eligibility and benefit standards. This is in addition to other  
2 exemptions authorized by law.

3 (b) For purposes of this subsection, "unearned income" means income  
4 received from a source other than employment or self-employment.

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