



HOUSE BILL No. 5733

March 28, 1996, Introduced by Reps. Bush, Ryan, Whyman, Perricone, Llewellyn, McBryde, Dalman, Hammerstrom, Horton, Jaye, Green, Hill, Walberg, Oxender, Lowe and Voorhees and referred to the Committee on Human Services.

A bill to amend section 57b of Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1939, entitled as amended

"The social welfare act,"

as added by Act No. 223 of the Public Acts of 1995, being section 400.57b of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 57b of Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of
2 1939, as added by Act No. 223 of the Public Acts of 1995, being
3 section 400.57b of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to read
4 as follows:

5 Sec. 57b. (1) An individual who meets all of the following
6 requirements is eligible for family independence assistance:

7 (a) Is a member of a family or a family independence
8 assistance group.

1 (b) Is a member of a program group whose income and assets
2 are less than the income and asset limits set by the family
3 independence agency.

4 (c) In the case of a MINOR AND IN THE CASE OF A minor
5 parent, meets the requirements of subsection (2).

6 (D) IN THE CASE OF A MINOR LIVING INDEPENDENTLY WITHOUT THE
7 CONSENT OF HIS OR HER PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN, MEETS THE
8 REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (3).

9 (E) ~~(d)~~ Is a United States citizen, a permanent resident
10 alien, or a refugee.

11 (F) ~~(e)~~ Is a resident of this state as described in sec-
12 tion 32.

13 (G) ~~(f)~~ Meets any other eligibility criterion required for
14 the receipt of federal or state funds or determined by the family
15 independence agency to be necessary for the accomplishment of the
16 goals of the family independence program.

17 (2) A minor parent and the minor parent's child shall not
18 receive family independence assistance unless they live in an
19 adult-supervised household. The family independence assistance
20 shall be paid on behalf of the minor parent and child to an adult
21 in the adult-supervised household. Child care in conjunction
22 with participation in education, employment readiness, training,
23 or employment programs, which have been approved by the family
24 independence agency, shall be provided for the minor parent's
25 child. The minor parent and child shall live with the minor
26 parent's parent, stepparent, or legal guardian unless the family
27 independence agency determines that there is good cause for not

1 requiring the minor parent and child to live with a parent,
2 stepparent, or legal guardian. The family independence agency
3 shall determine the circumstances that constitute good cause,
4 based on a parent's, stepparent's, or guardian's unavailability
5 or unwillingness or on a reasonable belief that there is physi-
6 cal, sexual, or substance abuse, or domestic violence occurring
7 in the household, or other risk to the physical or emotional
8 health or safety of the minor parent or child. If the family
9 independence agency determines that there is good cause for not
10 requiring a minor parent to live with a parent, stepparent, or
11 legal guardian, the minor parent and child shall live in another
12 adult-supervised household. A local office director may waive
13 the requirement set forth in this subsection with respect to a
14 minor parent who is at least 17 years of age, attending secondary
15 school full-time, and participating in a service plan of the
16 family independence agency or a teen parenting program, if moving
17 would require the minor parent to change schools.

18 (3) A MINOR WHO IS LIVING INDEPENDENTLY WITHOUT THE CONSENT
19 OF HIS OR HER PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN SHALL NOT RECEIVE FAMILY
20 INDEPENDENCE ASSISTANCE UNLESS 1 OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:

21 (A) THE MINOR HAS A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR GENERAL EDUCATION
22 DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE.

23 (B) THE MINOR IS REGULARLY ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOL OR A GEN-
24 ERAL EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT TEST PREPARATION PROGRAM.