STATE OF MICHIGAN 93RD LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2005

Introduced by Senator Cropsey

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 893

AN ACT to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "An act to protect the welfare of the people of this state; to provide general assistance, hospitalization, infirmary and medical care to poor or unfortunate persons; to provide for compliance by this state with the social security act; to provide protection, welfare and services to aged persons, dependent children, the blind, and the permanently and totally disabled; to administer programs and services for the prevention and treatment of delinquency, dependency and neglect of children; to create a state department of social services; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department; to provide for the interstate and intercounty transfer of dependents; to create county and district departments of social services; to create within certain county departments, bureaus of social aid and certain divisions and offices thereunder; to prescribe the powers and duties of the departments, bureaus and officers; to provide for appeals in certain cases; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state department with respect to county and district departments; to prescribe certain duties of certain other state departments, officers, and agencies; to make an appropriation; to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates," (MCL 400.1 to 400.119b) by adding sections 57q and 57r.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 57q. (1) After termination of family independence assistance benefits for noncompliance, failure to meet an expectation listed in the family independence plan described in section 57g, or reaching the 48-month lifetime cumulative total allowable under section 57g, the department shall provide information to the recipient on obtaining food assistance, assistance under the women, infants, and children program, free and reduced lunches, earned income tax credit, and any other relevant program or service the department determines shall assist the family.

(2) If a recipient is terminated from receiving family independence assistance benefits due to sanctions received under section 57g or reaching the 48-month cumulative lifetime limit, the department worker may notify any local agencies or service organizations of family need that can offer services or other assistance in relation to the recipient's children.

Sec. 57r. If a recipient receives a penalty under section 57g resulting in termination from the family independence program for 3 calendar months or more, the recipient shall attend a joint meeting with a department caseworker and a work first program caseworker. At a meeting under this section, the family self-sufficiency plan shall be reviewed and modified as determined necessary.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

	Carol Morey Viventi
	Secretary of the Senate
	Clerk of the House of Representatives
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