

**THE SOCIAL WELFARE ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 280 of 1939**

**400.18a Friend of the court incentive payment program; establishment; activities; subsection (1) inapplicable to certain judicial circuits; annual appropriation.**

Sec. 18a. (1) A friend of the court incentive payment program is established in the state department. Except as provided in subsection (2), the program shall consist of the following activities:

(a) An annual determination of the gross amount of child support payments collected by each office of the friend of the court for families receiving aid to families with dependent children, which amount is collected under the friend of the court act, Act No. 294 of the Public Acts of 1982, being sections 552.501 to 552.535 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or the support and parenting time enforcement act, Act No. 295 of the Public Acts of 1982, being sections 552.601 to 552.650 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(b) The remitting of 3% of the amount determined under subdivision (a) for an office, to the county treasurer for the appropriate county or counties for deposit in the friend of the court fund created in section 2530 of the revised judicature act of 1961, Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of 1961, being section 600.2530 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, if the county board of commissioners makes appropriations in accordance with that section.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to any judicial circuit in which the employees serving in the circuit court are employees of the state judicial council.

(3) The legislature annually shall appropriate to the state department an amount equal to the amount required to be remitted under subsection (1)(b).

**History:** Add. 1982, Act 298, Eff. July 1, 1983;—Am. 1996, Act 12, Eff. June 1, 1996.

**Compiler's note:** Former MCL 400.18a, providing for allocation and distribution of aid to persons permanently and totally disabled, was repealed by Act 286 of 1957.

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