

Substitute House Bill No. 5369

Special Act No. 24-8

AN ACT CONCERNING A BENEFITS CLIFF STUDY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The two-generational initiative, established pursuant to section 17b-112*l* of the general statutes, in consultation with the Departments of Social Services and Housing and the Office of Workforce Strategy, shall study strategies to mitigate benefits cliffs and support the economic mobility of public assistance program beneficiaries.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2025, the initiative, in consultation with the Departments of Social Services and Housing and the Office of Workforce Strategy, shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services on the results of the study and its recommendations. For purposes of this section, "benefits cliff" means the loss or decrease of public assistance program benefits when a beneficiary's income exceeds eligibility thresholds.