

General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 35

LCO No. **2588**

Referred to Committee on COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Introduced by: (KID)

AN ACT CONCERNING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION EXPENSES FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS ADOPTED THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES' FOSTER CARE PROGRAM.

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

1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) Not later than October 1, 2021, the Commissioner of Children and Families shall amend the Department of 2 3 Children and Families policy 25-2, effective January 2, 2019, concerning 4 financial assistance for post-secondary education expenses, by 5 expanding the eligibility criteria to receive assistance under said policy to include any individual adopted through the department's foster care 6 7 program on or after January 1, 2001, provided (1) such individual meets 8 all other eligibility requirements of said policy, and (2) any assistance 9 received by such individual shall not exceed such individual's 10 demonstrated financial need, as determined by the Federal Student Aid 11 Office of the United States Department of Education.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 <i>from passage</i>	New section
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