
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1924 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY BERNSTINE, SAYLOR AND EVERETT, NOVEMBER 15, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, NOVEMBER 15, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled "An
2 act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public
3 welfare laws of the Commonwealth," in public assistance,
4 further providing for responsibilities and obligations of
5 department, applicants and recipients and for eligibility.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Sections 405.3(f) and 432 of the act of June 13,
9 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, are
10 amended by adding paragraphs to read:

11 Section 405.3. Responsibilities and Obligations of
12 Department, Applicants and Recipients.--* * *

13 (f) Penalties shall be imposed on an applicant or recipient
14 of cash assistance who fails to comply with the obligations set
15 forth in the agreement of mutual responsibility. Penalties shall
16 include disqualification from receiving assistance as follows:

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18 (5) Sanctions if a member of the household fails to comply
19 with the compulsory school attendance requirement under section
20 1327 of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the

1 "Public School Code of 1949."

2 Section 432. Eligibility.--Except as hereinafter otherwise
3 provided, and subject to the rules, regulations, and standards
4 established by the department, both as to eligibility for
5 assistance and as to its nature and extent, needy persons of the
6 classes defined in clauses (1), (2), and (3) shall be eligible
7 for assistance:

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9 (12) Assistance may not be granted to an applicant or
10 recipient if a member of the household under sixteen years of
11 age does not meet the compulsory school attendance requirements
12 under section 1327 of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14),
13 known as the "Public School Code of 1949." The department shall
14 implement policies in accordance with this paragraph.

15 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.