

SENATE BILL 2293

By Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71,
Chapter 1, Part 1, relative to temporary assistance
for needy families (TANF).

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-1-125, is amended by deleting subsection (b) and substituting:

(b) The report described in subsection (a) must include information detailing the department's access to and use of federal TANF funds during the previous federal fiscal year, subtotaled by the four (4) purposes of the TANF program, as described by 45 C.F.R. § 260.20, for which the funds were expended, including:

(1) Overall spending and the number of contracts through which services or assistance were provided in furtherance of each respective purpose;

(2) Examples of expenditures in furtherance of each respective purpose, including:

(A) Expenditures for programs to encourage two-parent family formation and two-parent family preservation; and

(B) Expenditures for parenting education, mediation, marriage education, marital counseling, visitation facilitators, and initiatives to facilitate fatherhood support and inclusion; and

(3) A review of all program expenditures to ensure inclusion of both parents.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.