

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 5277**

A bill to make appropriations for the family independence agency and certain state purposes related to public welfare services for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; to create funds; to provide for the imposition of fees; to provide for reports; to provide for the disposition of fees and other income received by the state agency; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain individuals, local governments, and state departments, agencies, and officers.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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PART 1

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LINE-ITEM APPROPRIATIONS

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Sec. 101. Subject to the conditions set forth in this act, the

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amounts listed in this part are appropriated for the family independence

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agency for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, from the funds

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1 indicated in this part. The following is a summary of the appropriations
2 in this part:

3 FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY

4	Full-time equated classified positions.....	[13,553.6]	
5	Full-time equated unclassified positions.....	6.0	
6	Total full-time equated positions.....	[13,559.6]	
7	GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$	[3,599,343,300]
8	Interdepartmental grant revenues:		
9	Total interdepartmental grants and intradepartment		
10	transfers.....	\$	765,000
11	ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$	[3,598,578,300]
12	Federal revenues:		
13	Total federal revenues.....		[2,212,268,650]
14	Special revenue funds:		
15	Total private revenues.....		8,513,950
16	Total local revenues.....		109,438,700
17	Total other state restricted revenues.....		58,565,400
18	State general fund/general purpose.....	\$	[1,209,791,600]
19	Sec. 102. EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS		
20	Total full-time equated positions.....		925.3
21	Full-time equated unclassified positions.....		6.0
22	Full-time equated classified positions.....		919.3
23	Other unclassified salaries--6.0 FTE positions.....	\$	492,300
24	Salaries and wages--692.3 FTE positions.....		34,379,900
25	Contractual services, supplies, and materials.....		10,313,300
26	Demonstration projects--11.0 FTE positions.....		10,672,200

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1	End user support.....	9,036,300
2	Computer service fees.....	27,154,100
3	Client services system--22.0 FTE positions.....	13,333,800
4	Data system enhancement--26.0 FTE positions.....	37,976,200
5	Child support automation--28.0 FTE positions.....	65,239,500
6	Child support distribution computer system--8.0 FTE	
7	positions.....	17,132,800
8	Supplemental security income advocates, salaries and	
9	wages--16.0 FTE positions.....	1,022,200
10	Commission on disability concerns--8.0 FTE positions.	785,700
11	Commission for the blind--108.0 FTE positions.....	<u>17,621,100</u>
12	GROSS APPROPRIATION..... \$	245,159,400
13	Appropriated from:	
14	Interdepartmental grant revenues:	
15	IDG-ADP user fees.....	150,000
16	ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION..... \$	245,009,400
17	Appropriated from:	
18	Federal revenues:	
19	Total federal revenues.....	158,399,800
20	Special revenue funds:	
21	Total private revenues.....	1,840,000
22	Total local revenues.....	475,000
23	Total other state restricted revenues.....	477,300
24	State general fund/general purpose..... \$	83,817,300
25	Sec. 103. FAMILY INDEPENDENCE SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	
26	Full-time equated classified positions.....	448.0

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1	Salaries and wages--309.0 FTE positions.....	\$	15,366,400
2	Contractual services, supplies, and materials.....		5,776,500
3	Child support incentive payments.....		32,409,600
4	Legal support contracts.....		118,318,000
5	State incentive payments.....		4,449,000
6	Employment and training support services.....		17,051,700
7	Project zero--84.0 FTE positions.....		13,975,200
8	Food stamp issuance.....		4,124,400
9	Wage employment verification reporting--2.0 FTE		
10	positions.....		5,171,000
11	Urban and rural empowerment/enterprise zones.....		100
12	Training and staff development--53.0 FTE positions...		10,636,400
13	Community services block grants.....		<u>19,100,000</u>
14	GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$	246,378,300
15	Appropriated from:		
16	Interdepartmental grant revenues:		
17	ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$	246,378,300
18	Appropriated from:		
19	Federal revenues:		
20	Total federal revenues.....		215,409,800
21	Special revenue funds:		
22	Total local revenues.....		340,000
23	State general fund/general purpose.....	\$	30,628,500
24	Sec. 104. CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES		
25	Full-time equated classified positions.....104.3		
26	Salaries and wages--43.3 FTE positions.....	\$	2,685,000

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1	Contractual services, supplies, and materials.....	1,683,500
2	Refugee assistance program--5.0 FTE positions.....	7,391,900
3	Foster care payments.....	190,232,600
4	Wayne County foster care payments.....	155,598,300
5	Adoption subsidies.....	157,262,200
6	Adoption support services--9.0 FTE positions.....	11,536,100
7	Youth in transition--10.0 FTE positions.....	10,153,900
8	Interstate compact.....	300,000
9	Children's benefit fund donations.....	21,000
10	Domestic violence prevention and treatment--6.0 FTE	
11	positions.....	9,728,500
12	Teenage parent counseling--4.0 FTE positions.....	3,486,200
13	Family preservation and prevention services--20.0 FTE	
14	positions.....	78,048,300
15	Black child and family institute.....	100,000
16	Rape prevention and services.....	1,100,000
17	Children's trust fund administration--7.0 FTE	
18	positions.....	459,100
19	Children's trust fund grants.....	3,615,000
20	Attorney general contract.....	2,458,700
21	Guardian contract.....	600,000
22	County shelters.....	300,000
23	Prosecuting attorney contracts.....	<u>1,061,700</u>
24	GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$ 637,822,000
25	Appropriated from:	
26	Interdepartmental grant revenues:	

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1	ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$	637,822,000
2	Appropriated from:		
3	Federal revenues:		
4	Total federal revenues.....		335,823,300
5	Special revenue funds:		
6	Private-children's benefit fund donations.....		21,000
7	Private-collections.....		4,101,300
8	Local funds - county payback.....		63,484,500
9	Children's trust fund.....		2,112,100
10	State general fund/general purpose.....	\$	232,279,800
11	Sec. 105. JUVENILE JUSTICE SERVICES		
12	Full-time equated classified positions.....	1,234.1	
13	Personnel payroll costs--847.9 FTE positions.....	\$	51,883,000
14	County juvenile officers.....		3,863,300
15	Child care fund.....		76,952,500
16	Juvenile justice operations.....		17,029,800
17	Community juvenile justice centers--107.0 FTE		
18	positions.....		7,784,700
19	Genesee Valley, Burton and Northwest detention		
20	centers--254.2 FTE positions.....		18,489,400
21	Federally funded activities--12.0 FTE positions.....		1,844,400
22	W.J. Maxey memorial fund.....		45,000
23	Regional detention services--5.0 FTE positions.....		1,217,500
24	Juvenile accountability incentive block grant--4.0		
25	FTE positions.....		7,732,000
26	Juvenile boot camp program.....		1,600,000

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1	Committee on juvenile justice administration--4.0 FTE	
2	positions.....	449,600
3	Committee on juvenile justice grants.....	<u>5,000,000</u>
4	GROSS APPROPRIATION..... \$	193,891,200
5	Appropriated from:	
6	Federal revenues:	
7	Total federal revenues.....	30,063,100
8	Special revenue funds:	
9	Total private revenues.....	45,000
10	Local funds - county payback.....	44,641,700
11	State general fund/general purpose..... \$	119,141,400
12	Sec. 106. LOCAL OFFICE STAFF AND OPERATIONS	
13	Full-time equated classified positions.....[10,205.9]	
14	Field staff, salaries and wages--7,184.5 FTE	
15	positions..... \$	294,072,100
16	Children and adult services, salaries and	
17	wages--[2,870.9] FTE positions.....	[121,548,700]
18	Contractual services, supplies, and materials.....	[30,311,300]
19	Outstationed eligibility workers--60.0 FTE positions.	5,000,000
20	Wayne County gifts and bequests.....	100,000
21	Volunteer services and reimbursement--90.5 FTE	
22	positions.....	<u>7,269,800</u>
23	GROSS APPROPRIATION..... \$	[458,301,900]
24	Appropriated from:	
25	Federal revenues:	
26	Total federal revenues.....	[279,963,950]

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1	Special revenue funds:	
2	Local funds - donated funds.....	193,100
3	Private funds - Wayne County gifts.....	100,000
4	Private funds - hospital contributions.....	2,406,650
5	State general fund/general purpose..... \$	[175,638,200]
6	Sec. 107. DISABILITY DETERMINATION SERVICES	
7	Full-time equated classified positions.....628.0	
8	Disability determination operations--602.0 FTE	
9	positions..... \$	69,215,400
10	Medical consultation program--21.0 FTE positions.....	1,762,500
11	Retirement disability determination--5.0 FTE	
12	positions.....	<u>615,000</u>
13	GROSS APPROPRIATION..... \$	71,592,900
14	Appropriated from:	
15	Interdepartmental grant revenues:	
16	Department of management and budget - office of	
17	retirement systems.....	615,000
18	ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION..... \$	70,977,900
19	Federal revenues:	
20	Total federal revenues.....	70,084,600
21	State general fund/general purpose..... \$	893,300
22	Sec. 108. CENTRAL SUPPORT ACCOUNTS	
23	Rent..... \$	48,825,500
24	Occupancy charge.....	12,840,600
25	Travel.....	[8,034,500]
26	Equipment.....	[3,272,900]

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1	Worker's compensation.....	5,369,900
2	Advisory commissions.....	17,900
3	Payroll taxes and fringe benefits.....	<u>[166,371,100]</u>
4	GROSS APPROPRIATION..... \$	[244,732,400]
5	Appropriated from:	
6	Federal revenues:	
7	Total federal revenues.....	[138,222,500]
8	Special revenue funds:	
9	Departmentwide lapse revenue.....	7,924,200
10	Local funds - county payback.....	304,400
11	State general fund/general purpose..... \$	[98,281,300]
12	Sec. 109. PUBLIC ASSISTANCE	
13	Full-time equated classified positions.....14.0	
14	Family independence program..... \$	293,663,600
15	State disability assistance payments.....	21,682,900
16	Food stamp program benefits.....	433,218,800
17	State supplementation.....	60,933,300
18	State supplementation administration.....	2,381,700
19	Homestead property tax credit for low-income families	27,000,000
20	Low-income energy assistance program--10.0 FTE	
21	positions.....	60,025,500
22	State emergency relief--4.0 FTE positions.....	42,069,400
23	Weatherization assistance.....	10,900,000
24	Rainy day fund for family independence program	
25	caseload.....	25,800,000
26	Day care services.....	<u>523,790,000</u>

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1	GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$	1,501,465,200
2	Appropriated from:		
3	Interdepartmental grant revenues:		
4	ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$	1,501,465,200
5	Appropriated from:		
6	Federal revenues:		
7	Total federal revenues.....		984,301,600
8	Special revenue funds:		
9	Child support collections.....		41,311,800
10	Supplemental security income recoveries.....		4,440,000
11	Public assistance recoupment revenue.....		2,300,000
12	State general fund/general purpose.....	\$	469,111,800

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15 PART 2

16 PROVISIONS CONCERNING APPROPRIATIONS

17 **GENERAL SECTIONS**

18 Sec. 201. Pursuant to section 30 of article IX of the state consti-
19 tution of 1963, total state spending from state resources under part 1
20 for fiscal year 2000-2001 is [\$1,268,357,000.00] and state spending from
21 state resources to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year
22 2000-2001 is \$142,932,000.00. The itemized statement below identifies
23 appropriations from which spending to units of local government will
24 occur:

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1	Adoption subsidies.....	\$	62,152,800
2	JUVENILE JUSTICE SERVICES		
3	Child care fund.....		76,952,500
4	County juvenile officers.....		2,668,000
5	PUBLIC ASSISTANCE		
6	State disability program.....		<u>1,158,700</u>
7	TOTAL.....	\$	142,932,000

8 (2) If it appears to the principal executive officer of a department
9 or branch that state spending to local units of government will be less
10 than the amount that was projected to be expended for any quarter under
11 subsection (1), the principal executive officer shall immediately give
12 notice of the approximate shortfall to the state budget director, the
13 house of representatives and senate standing committees on appropria-
14 tions, and the house and senate fiscal agencies.

15 Sec. 202. The appropriations authorized under this act are subject
16 to the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594.

17 Sec. 203. As used in this act:

18 (a) "ADP" means automated data processing.

19 (b) "Department" means the family independence agency.

20 (c) "FTE" means full-time equated position.

21 (d) "IDG" means interdepartmental grant.

22 (e) "Temporary assistance for needy families" (TANF) or "title IV"
23 means title IV of the social security act, chapter 531, 49 Stat. 620, 42
24 U.S.C. 601 to 603, 604 to 608, 609 to 619, 620 to 629e, 651 to 660, 663
25 to 669b, 670 to 673, 673b, 674 to 679, 679b, and 681 to 687.

26 Sec. 204. The department of civil service shall bill departments
27 and agencies at the end of the first fiscal quarter for the 1% charge

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1 authorized by section 5 of article XI of the state constitution of 1963.
2 Payments shall be made for the total amount of the billing by the end of
3 the second fiscal quarter.

4 Sec. 205. (1) Beginning October 1, a hiring freeze is imposed on
5 the state classified civil service. State departments and agencies are
6 prohibited from hiring any new full-time state classified civil service
7 employees and prohibited from filling any vacant state classified civil
8 service positions. This hiring freeze does not apply to internal trans-
9 fers of classified employees from 1 position to another within a depart-
10 ment or to positions that are funded with 80% or more federal or
11 restricted funds.

12 (2) The state budget director shall grant exceptions to this hiring
13 freeze when the state budget director believes that the hiring freeze
14 will result in rendering a state department or agency unable to deliver
15 basic services. The state budget director shall report by the fifteenth
16 of each month to the chairpersons of the senate and house of representa-
17 tives standing committees on appropriations the number of exceptions to
18 the hiring freeze approved during the previous month and the justifica-
19 tion for the exception.

20 Sec. 206. (1) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1,
21 there is appropriated an amount not to exceed \$200,000,000.00 for federal
22 contingency funds. These funds are not available for expenditure until
23 they have been transferred to another line item in this act under
24 section 393(2) of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431,
25 MCL 18.1393.

26 (2) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
27 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.00 for state restricted

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1 contingency funds. These funds are not available for expenditure until
2 they have been transferred to another line item in this act under
3 section 393(2) of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431,
4 MCL 18.1393.

5 (3) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is appro-
6 priated an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000.00 for local contingency
7 funds. These funds are not available for expenditure until they have
8 been transferred to another line item in this act under section 393(2) of
9 the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

10 (4) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is appro-
11 priated an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000.00 for private contingency
12 funds. These funds are not available for expenditure until they have
13 been transferred to another line item in this act under section 393(2) of
14 the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

15 Sec. 207. At least 60 days before beginning any effort to privati-
16 ze, the department shall submit a complete project plan to the appropri-
17 ate senate and house of representatives appropriations subcommittees and
18 the senate and house fiscal agencies. The plan shall include the cri-
19 teria under which the privatization initiative will be evaluated. The
20 evaluation shall be completed and submitted to the appropriate senate and
21 house of representatives appropriations subcommittees and the senate and
22 house fiscal agencies within 30 months.

23 Sec. 208. The department shall continue to pilot the use of the
24 Internet to fulfill the reporting requirements of this act. This may
25 include transmission of reports via electronic mail to the recipients
26 identified for each reporting requirement or it may include placement of
27 reports on the Internet or legislative Intranet site. The senate and

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1 house of representatives appropriations subcommittees and senate and
2 house fiscal agencies shall be notified in writing of the Internet or
3 Intranet site of any such report. Quarterly, the department shall pro-
4 vide a cumulative listing of the reports submitted during the most recent
5 3-month period along with the Internet or Intranet site of each report,
6 and a list of those reports expected to be transmitted in the following
7 quarter. The option of receiving reports in printed format shall con-
8 tinue to be available.

9 Sec. 209. Funds appropriated in part 1 shall not be used for the
10 purchase of foreign goods or services, or both, if competitively priced
11 and of comparable quality American goods or services, or both, are
12 available.

13 Sec. 210. The director of each department receiving appropriations
14 in part 1 shall take all reasonable steps to ensure businesses in
15 deprived and depressed communities compete for and perform contracts to
16 provide services or supplies, or both. Each director shall strongly
17 encourage firms with which the department contracts to subcontract with
18 certified businesses in depressed and deprived communities for services,
19 supplies, or both.

20 Sec. 211. The department may receive and expend advances or reim-
21 bursements from the department of state police for the administration of
22 the individual and family grant disaster assistance program. An account
23 shall be established in the department for this purpose when a disaster
24 is declared. The authorization and allotment for the account shall be in
25 the amount advanced or reimbursed from the department of state police.

26 Sec. 212. In addition to funds appropriated in part 1 for all
27 programs and services, there is appropriated for write-offs of accounts

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1 receivable, deferrals, and for prior year obligations in excess of
2 applicable prior year appropriations, an amount equal to total write-offs
3 and prior year obligations, but not to exceed amounts available in prior
4 year revenues or current year revenues that are in excess of the autho-
5 rized amount.

6 Sec. 213. The department may retain all of the state's share of
7 food stamp overissuance collections as an offset to general fund/general
8 purpose costs. Retained collections shall be applied against federal
9 funds deductions in all appropriation units where department costs
10 related to the investigation and recoupment of food stamp overissuances
11 are incurred. Retained collections in excess of such costs shall be
12 applied against the federal funds deducted in the executive operations
13 appropriation unit.

14 Sec. 214. (1) The department shall submit a report to the chair-
15 persons of the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the
16 family independence agency budget and to the senate and house fiscal
17 agencies on the details of allocations within program budgeting line
18 items and within the salaries and wages line items in the field services
19 appropriation unit. The report shall include a listing, by account,
20 dollar amount, and fund source, of salaries and wages; longevity and
21 insurance; retirement; contractual services, supplies, and materials;
22 equipment; travel; and grants within each program line item appropriated
23 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001.

24 (2) On a monthly basis, the department shall report on the number of
25 FTEs in pay status by type of staff.

26 Sec. 215. If a legislative objective of this act or the social
27 welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.1 to 400.119b, cannot be implemented

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1 without loss of federal financial participation because implementation
2 would conflict with or violate federal regulations, the department shall
3 notify the house and senate appropriations committees and the house and
4 senate fiscal agencies of that fact. Upon receipt of the notification, a
5 joint house and senate committee made up of the members of the house and
6 senate appropriations subcommittees dealing with appropriations for the
7 family independence agency may be appointed to meet with the director of
8 the department to review the substantive, procedural, and legal ramifications
9 of the legislative objective and to develop a plan to attain that
10 legislative objective.

11 Sec. 216. In compliance with governmental accounting standards
12 board (GASB) statement no. 24, accounting and financial reporting for
13 certain grants and other financial assistance, such as federal food stamp
14 distributions via coupons or electronic benefits systems, are hereby
15 appropriated and shall be recognized as general fund - special purpose
16 expenditures in the state's accounting records and financial reports.
17 The level of appropriations under this section shall coincide with anticipated
18 federal food stamps revenues for the fiscal year ending
19 September 30, 2001.

20 Sec. 217. The departments and state agencies receiving appropriations
21 under this act shall receive and retain copies of all reports
22 funded from appropriations in part 1. These departments and state agencies
23 shall follow federal and state guidelines for short-term and
24 long-term retention of these reports and records.

25 Sec. 218. (1) The department shall prepare a semiannual report on
26 the temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) federal block grant.
27 The report shall include projected expenditures for the current fiscal

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1 year, an accounting of any previous year funds carried forward, and a
2 summary of all interdepartmental or interagency agreements relating to
3 the use of TANF funds. The report shall be forwarded to the house and
4 senate appropriations subcommittees on the family independence agency
5 budget on or before October 15, 2000 and April 15, 2001.

6 (2) The state budget director shall give prior written notice to the
7 members of the house and senate appropriations subcommittees for the
8 family independence agency and to the house and senate fiscal agencies of
9 any proposed changes in utilization or distribution of TANF funding or
10 the distribution of TANF maintenance of effort spending relative to the
11 amounts reflected in the annual appropriations acts of all state agencies
12 where TANF funding is appropriated.

13 Sec. 219. The department shall include in its quality control
14 reporting the number of veterans receiving food stamps, family indepen-
15 dence program assistance, and Medicaid.

16 Sec. 220. (1) In contracting with faith-based organizations for
17 mentoring or supportive services, and in all contracts for services, the
18 department shall ensure that no funds provided directly to institutions
19 or organizations to provide services and administer programs shall be
20 used or expended for any sectarian activity, including sectarian worship,
21 instruction, or proselytization.

22 (2) If an individual requests the service and has an objection to
23 the religious character of the institution or organization from which the
24 individual receives or would receive services or assistance, the depart-
25 ment shall provide the individual within a reasonable time after the date
26 of the objection with assistance or services and which are substantially

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1 the same as the service the individual would have received from the
2 organization.

3 (3) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2), the department shall
4 cooperate with faith-based organizations so that they are able to compete
5 on the same basis as any other private organization for contracts to pro-
6 vide services to recipients of department services, including, but not
7 limited to, mentoring or supportive services. The department shall not
8 discriminate against an organization that applies to become a contractor
9 on the basis that the organization has a religious character.

10 Sec. 221. If the revenue collected by the department from private
11 and local sources exceeds the amount appropriated in part 1, the revenue
12 may be carried forward, with approval from the state budget director,
13 into the subsequent fiscal year.

14 Sec. 222. The department shall provide a report prepared by the
15 department's internal auditor on the activities of the internal auditor
16 for the prior fiscal year. This report shall include a listing of each
17 audit or investigation performed by the internal auditor pursuant to
18 sections 486(4) and 487 of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431,
19 MCL 18.1486 and 18.1487. The report shall identify the proportion of
20 time spent on each of the statutory responsibilities listed in
21 sections 485(4), 486(4), and 487 of the management and budget act, 1984
22 PA 431, MCL 18.1485, 18.1486, and 18.1487, and the time spent on all
23 other activities performed in the internal audit function. The first
24 report shall be due March 1, 2001, and biennially thereafter beginning on
25 May 1 and shall be submitted to the governor, auditor general, the senate
26 and house appropriations committees, the senate and house fiscal
27 agencies, and the director.

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1 Sec. 223. The department shall make a determination of Medicaid
2 eligibility not later than 60 days after all information to make the
3 determination is received from the applicant when disability is an eligi-
4 bility factor. For all other Medicaid applicants, the department shall
5 make a determination of Medicaid eligibility not later than 45 days after
6 all information to make the determination is received from the
7 applicant.

8 Sec. 224. It is the intent of the legislature that departmentwide
9 lapse revenue fund source be eliminated over the next 8 fiscal years and
10 that state general fund/general purpose dollars be utilized on a
11 dollar-for-dollar basis to replace eliminated departmentwide lapse reve-
12 nue funds.

13 **EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS**

14 Sec. 301. The department may distribute cash assistance to recip-
15 ients electronically by using debit cards.

16 Sec. 302. The appropriation in section 102 for the Michigan commis-
17 sion for the blind includes funds for case services. These funds may be
18 used for tuition payments for blind clients for the school year beginning
19 September 2000.

20 Sec. 303. The appropriation in section 102 for commissions and
21 boards may be used for per diem payments to members of commissions or
22 boards for a full day of committee work at which a quorum is present for
23 performing official business as authorized by each respective commission
24 or board. The per diem payment for the Michigan commission for the blind
25 shall be at a rate of \$50.00 per day.

1 FAMILY INDEPENDENCE SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

2 Sec. 401. (1) From the federal money received for child support
3 incentive payments, up to \$4,365,200.00 shall be retained by the state
4 and expended for legal support contracts, state incentive payments, and
5 salaries and wages for office of child support staff.

6 (2) At the end of the current fiscal year, the department may, when
7 it is cost beneficial to the state and counties, withhold from submitting
8 to the federal office of child support administrative expenses eligible
9 for federal financial participation. The department may recoup earned
10 but unclaimed federal funds from the resulting increased federal child
11 support incentive. The recoupment by the department shall be made prior
12 to distribution of the increased incentive to the counties. Any incen-
13 tive funds retained by the state under this section shall be separate and
14 apart from incentive funds retained in any other section of this act.

15 (3) A county shall be required to pay a penalty due to the state's
16 failure to be in compliance with federal child support enforcement system
17 requirements unless the county, friend of the court, and the department
18 have a written agreement that outlines the county's commitment to partic-
19 ipate in the federally required child support enforcement system and the
20 county complies with a timeline for completion established by the
21 department. Appropriate counties, the family independence agency, and
22 the judiciary shall report on the progress of reaching federal standards
23 by November 15, 2000. These groups will present an action plan as to how
24 attainment will be reached by September 30, 2001.

25 Sec. 402. From the funds appropriated in section 103 for legal sup-
26 port contracts and child support incentive payments, the department may
27 fund demonstration projects to enhance friend of the court child support

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1 collections efforts for public assistance recipients. Funding shall be
2 from federal title IV-D and federal child support incentives earned. The
3 projects shall be implemented in no more than 3 counties. Priority shall
4 be given to counties with federal title IV-D aid to families with depen-
5 dent children collections exceeding \$5,000,000.00 in fiscal year 1992.

6 Sec. 403. Not later than September 30 of each year, the department
7 shall submit for public hearing to the chairpersons of the house and
8 senate appropriations subcommittees dealing with appropriations for the
9 family independence agency the proposed use and distribution plan for
10 community services block grant funds appropriated in section 103 for the
11 succeeding fiscal year.

12 Sec. 404. The department shall develop a joint plan with the
13 Michigan urban Indian consortium department of civil rights as the cen-
14 tral representative of all human service-oriented off-reservation Indian
15 organizations and the inter-tribal council of Michigan to assure that the
16 community services block grant funds are equitably distributed. The plan
17 must be developed by October 1, 2000, and the plan shall be delivered to
18 the appropriations subcommittee on the family independence agency in the
19 house and senate.

20 Sec. 405. (1) From the funds appropriated in section 103,
21 \$821,582.00 shall be utilized for the Wayne County third circuit court
22 cooperative reimbursement contract.

23 (2) It is the intent of the legislature that state funding for the
24 Wayne County third circuit court cooperative reimbursement contract shall
25 not be reduced below the total amount of state funds received for the
26 fiscal year ending September 30, 2000.

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1 Sec. 406. Any unencumbered balances included in the training and
2 staff development line for child welfare education shall not lapse and
3 shall be carried forward to fiscal year 2002.

4 Sec. 407. From the funds appropriated in section 103 for employment
5 and training support services, the department shall contract with created
6 for caring for \$112,500.00 to provide employment skills and opportunities
7 support services.

8 Sec. 408. (1) The family independence agency shall work jointly
9 with the department of career development to implement the enhanced tech-
10 nical vocational training program that shall meet all of the following
11 criteria:

12 (a) The training program shall be available statewide.

13 (b) Eligible participants shall include family independence program
14 recipients, work first clients, and child day care recipients referred by
15 the family independence agency.

16 (c) Training shall be limited to not longer than 12 months in
17 duration.

18 (d) Training shall be directed to achieving or gaining skills that
19 will lead to a career for the participant.

20 (e) Training shall be reasonably calculated to lead to full-time,
21 skilled employment.

22 (f) Participants shall receive any additional support needed to
23 facilitate participation in the training program within reasonable param-
24 eters established by the department of career development including, but
25 not limited to, all of the following:

26 (i) Child day care, including evening or nighttime care if
27 appropriate.

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1 (ii) Transportation.

2 (iii) Transitional Medicaid.

3 (2) Eligible family independence program recipients, work first cli-
4 ents, and child day care recipients that commence training will be
5 allowed to complete training, as long as all enhanced technical voca-
6 tional training program participation requirements are being met.

7 (3) The family independence agency shall work with the department of
8 career development to promote outreach in community colleges regarding
9 technical vocational training program opportunities.

10 (4) The family independence agency shall work in collaboration with
11 the department of career development and the department of transportation
12 regarding summer youth employment programs for the academically success-
13 ful students. The programs shall seek to provide work-based alternatives
14 for children over 13 years of age of families participating in the family
15 independence summer project.

16 Sec. 409. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the family
17 independence agency in conjunction with the department of career develop-
18 ment shall conduct a study of the effect of the enhanced technical voca-
19 tional program and report the results of the study to the house and
20 senate appropriations subcommittees of the family independence agency no
21 later than August 31, 2001. The study shall examine all of the following
22 about the participants and former participants in the program:

23 (a) Whether they have obtained jobs.

24 (b) What kind of jobs they have obtained.

25 (c) How long they have retained those jobs and if they have had more
26 than 1 job, how long were they at each job.

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1 (d) Current hourly wages.

2 (e) Whether they are receiving basic health care benefits, tuition
3 reimbursement, or training from their employers.

4 (f) Whether they continue to receive any type of public assistance.

5 (g) Any other information specifically impacting on children that
6 the department considers relevant.

7 (2) The 2 departments may retain a third party to conduct the study
8 under this section.

9 Sec. 410. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, expenditures
10 from the legal support contract line item for the general fund/general
11 purpose portion of the cooperative reimbursement program shall not be
12 made until 30 days after notifying each member of the house and senate
13 appropriations subcommittees on the family independence agency budget.

14 (2) Those expenditures may be disapproved by either house or senate
15 appropriations subcommittees on the family independence agency budget
16 within the 30 days and, if disapproved within that time, shall not be
17 expended.

18 Sec. 411. From the funds appropriated in section 103, the depart-
19 ment shall hire 10 new limited term employees with the expressed purpose
20 of focusing their efforts toward reducing child support arrearages within
21 the state.

22 CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES

23 Sec. 501. The following goal is established by state law. During
24 the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, not more than 3,000 children
25 supervised by the department shall remain in foster care longer than 24

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1 months. The department shall give priority to reducing the number of
2 children under 1 year of age in foster care.

3 Sec. 502. From the funds appropriated in section 104 for foster
4 care, the department shall provide 50% reimbursement to Indian tribal
5 governments for foster care expenditures for children who are under the
6 jurisdiction of Indian tribal courts and who are not otherwise eligible
7 for federal foster care cost sharing.

8 Sec. 503. The department shall continue adoption subsidy payments
9 to families after the eighteenth birthday of an adoptee who meets the
10 following criteria:

11 (a) Has not yet graduated from high school or passed a high school
12 equivalency examination.

13 (b) Is making progress toward completing high school.

14 (c) Has not yet reached his or her twenty-first birthday.

15 Sec. 504. The department's ability to satisfy appropriation deducts
16 in section 104 for foster care private collections shall not be limited
17 to collections and accruals pertaining to services provided in the cur-
18 rent fiscal year but shall include revenues collected in excess of the
19 amount specified in section 104.

20 Sec. 505. Counties shall be subject to 50% charge back for the use
21 of alternative regional detention services, if those detention services
22 do not fall under the basic provision of section 117e of the social wel-
23 fare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.117e, or if a county operates those deten-
24 tion services programs primarily with professional rather than volunteer
25 staff.

26 Sec. 506. (1) In order to promote continuity of service for
27 children and families, the department shall, to the maximum extent

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1 possible, enter into multiyear contracts for child welfare and juvenile
2 justice services.

3 (2) The bid specifications and contract award determinations for
4 child welfare and juvenile justice services shall include criteria rela-
5 tive to provider experience, placing emphasis on total years of
6 experience in providing child welfare and juvenile justice services, pro-
7 vision of services to persons of similar characteristics as the target
8 clientele, quality of prior child welfare and juvenile justice services,
9 length of service in the targeted geographic area, and the adequacy of
10 the provider's plan for coordinating the provision of services in the
11 targeted geographic area.

12 Sec. 507. Funds appropriated in part 1 for the child care fund may
13 be used as local match for the purchase of families first services for
14 clients referred by juvenile courts. For local offices and courts choos-
15 ing this option, the in-home portion of the county child care fund plan
16 must authorize the transfer of funds from the state child care fund
17 account designated for that county to a local funds - county payback
18 deduct account associated with the family preservation services
19 appropriation.

20 Sec. 508. (1) In addition to the amount appropriated in
21 section 104, money granted or money received as gifts or donations to the
22 children's trust fund created by 1982 PA 249, MCL 21.171 to 21.172, is
23 appropriated for expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$800,000.00.

24 (2) The state child abuse and neglect prevention board may initiate
25 a joint project with another state agency to the extent that the project
26 supports the programmatic goals of both the state child abuse and neglect
27 prevention board and the state agency. The department may invoice the

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1 state agency for shared costs of a joint project in an amount authorized
2 by the state agency, and the state child abuse and neglect prevention
3 board may receive and expend funds for shared costs of a joint project in
4 addition to those authorized by section 104.

5 Sec. 509. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the department
6 shall not expend funds to preserve or reunite a family, unless there is a
7 court order requiring the preservation or reuniting of the family, if
8 either of the following would result:

9 (a) A child would be living in the same household with a parent or
10 other adult who has been convicted of criminal sexual conduct against a
11 child.

12 (b) A child would be living in the same household with a parent or
13 other adult against whom there is a substantiated charge of sexual abuse
14 against a child.

15 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), this section shall not prohibit
16 counseling or other services provided by the department, if the service
17 is not directed toward influencing the child to remain in an abusive
18 environment, justifying the actions of the abuser, or reuniting the
19 family.

20 Sec. 510. The department shall not be required to put up for bids
21 contracts with service providers if currently only 1 provider in the
22 service area exists.

23 Sec. 511. In order to be reimbursed for child care fund expendi-
24 tures, counties are required to submit department developed reports to
25 enable the department to document potential federally claimable
26 expenditures. This requirement is in accordance with the reporting

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1 requirements specified in section 117a(7) of the social welfare act, 1939
2 PA 280, MCL 400.117a.

3 Sec. 512. From the funds appropriated in section 104 for foster
4 care payments, the department may expend up to \$1,500,000.00 for foster
5 care pilot projects that include ways to increase foster parent recruit-
6 ment, improve foster parent retention, and increase delivery of training
7 and supportive services to foster parents.

8 Sec. 513. The department shall not expend funds appropriated in
9 part 1 to pay for the placement of a child in an out-of-state facility
10 unless all of the following conditions are met:

11 (a) There is no appropriate placement available in this state.

12 (b) The out-of-state facility meets all of the licensing standards
13 of this state for a comparable facility.

14 (c) The out-of-state facility meets all of the applicable licensing
15 standards of the state in which it is located.

16 (d) The department has done an on-site visit to the out-of-state
17 facility, reviewed the facility records, and reviewed licensing records
18 and reports on the facility and believes that the facility is an appro-
19 priate placement for the child.

20 Sec. 514. The department shall make a comprehensive report concern-
21 ing children's protective services (CPS) to the legislature by January 1,
22 2001, that shall include all of the following:

23 (a) Statistical information including, at a minimum, all of the
24 following:

25 (i) The total number of reports of abuse or neglect investigated
26 under the child protection law, 1975 PA 238, MCL 722.621 to 722.638, and

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1 the number of cases that were substantiated and the number that were
2 unsubstantiated.

3 (ii) Characteristics of perpetrators of abuse or neglect and the
4 child victims, such as age, relationship, socioeconomic status, race, and
5 ethnicity.

6 (iii) The mandatory reporter category in which the individual who
7 made the report fits, or other categorization if the individual is not
8 within a group required to report under the child protection law, 1975
9 PA 238, MCL 722.621 to 722.638.

10 (b) New policies related to children's protective services includ-
11 ing, but not limited to, major policy changes and court decisions affect-
12 ing the children's protective services system during the immediately pre-
13 ceding 12-month period.

14 Sec. 515. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for foster care
15 payments and related administrative costs, the department may implement
16 the federally approved title IV-E child welfare waiver managed care
17 demonstration project.

18 Sec. 516. The department, with the involvement of private nonprofit
19 agencies providing adoption services for special needs children through
20 contracts with the department, shall prepare an annual report on the
21 status of special needs adoptions and submit the report to the house of
22 representatives and senate appropriations subcommittees on the family
23 independence agency budget and the house and senate fiscal agencies by
24 June 1, 2001. The report shall include, at a minimum, all of the
25 following:

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1 (a) For each private nonprofit agency contract, and in aggregate,
2 the number and percentage of adoptions in each of the payment categories
3 specified in contracts with the department for calendar year 2000.

4 (b) The total number of special needs adoptions completed in the
5 fiscal year ending September 30, 2000.

6 Sec. 517. (1) From the funds appropriated in section 104 for family
7 preservation and prevention services, the department is authorized to
8 allocate funds to multipurpose collaborative bodies to address issues
9 raised in the Binsfeld children's commission report issued in July 1996.
10 Priority for activities and services will be given to at-risk children
11 and families in unsubstantiated child protective services cases or
12 low-risk substantiated cases.

13 (2) From the funds appropriated in section 104 for family preserva-
14 tion and prevention services, up to \$4,000,000.00 may be used to fund
15 community based collaborative prevention services designed to do any of
16 the following:

17 (a) Foster positive parenting skills especially for parents of chil-
18 dren under 3 years of age.

19 (b) Improve parent/child interaction.

20 (c) Promote access to needed community services.

21 (d) Increase local capacity to serve families at risk.

22 (e) Improve school readiness.

23 (f) Support healthy family environments that discourage alcohol,
24 tobacco, and other drug use.

25 (3) The appropriation provided for in subsection (2) is to fund sec-
26 ondary prevention programs as defined in the children's trust fund's

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1 pre-application materials for fiscal year 2000-2001 direct services
2 grants.

3 (4) Projects funded through the appropriation provided for in sub-
4 section (2) shall meet all of the following criteria:

5 (a) Be awarded through a joint request for proposal process estab-
6 lished by the department in conjunction with the children's trust fund
7 and the state human services directors.

8 (b) Be secondary prevention initiatives. Funds are not intended to
9 be expended in cases in which neglect or abuse has been substantiated.

10 (c) Demonstrate that the planned services are part of a community's
11 integrated comprehensive family support strategy endorsed by the local
12 multipurpose collaborative body.

13 (d) Provide a 25% local match of which not more than 10% is in-kind
14 goods or services unless the maximum percentage is waived by the state
15 human services directors.

16 (5) As used in this section, "state human services directors" means
17 the director of the department of community health, the director of the
18 department of education, and the director of the family independence
19 agency.

20 Sec. 518. (1) It is the intent of the legislature that the funds
21 appropriated in section 104 for family preservation and prevention serv-
22 ices in the 2000-2001 fiscal year reflect strong families/safe children
23 allocations to local multipurpose collaborative bodies that are no less
24 than the allocations in effect on April 1, 1997.

25 (2) In order to maintain this level of funding, the department may
26 use up to \$8,000,000.00 in TANF funds provided that the local
27 multipurpose collaborative bodies submit data to the department that will

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1 enable the department to document potential federal claimable
2 expenditures.

3 (3) No later than March 1, 2001, each local multipurpose collaborat-
4 ive body shall submit a report to the department that includes the number
5 of people receiving strong families/safe children services, the local
6 goals for this program, and a measure of the effectiveness in meeting
7 these goals.

8 Sec. 519. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for foster care
9 payments, Wayne County foster care payments, adoption subsidies and adop-
10 tion support services, the department shall increase the rate of payments
11 for foster parents, parents receiving adoption subsidies, and, except as
12 provided in subsection (4), agencies' administrative rate by 3.0% begin-
13 ning with the first pay period in October 2000. The increase described
14 in this section shall be paid to all private foster care providers.

15 (2) The department, with the involvement of private nonprofit agen-
16 cies providing residential treatment, specialized foster care, and super-
17 vised independent living services to children through contracts with the
18 department, shall conduct a review of the rates paid for these services.
19 The review shall include, at a minimum, all of the following:

20 (a) For residential treatment programs, consideration of the factors
21 including, but not limited to, those identified on pages 55 through 57 of
22 the Michigan auditor general performance audit report of juvenile justice
23 services issued April 1999.

24 (b) For specialized foster care and supervised independent living
25 programs, consideration of factors included in subdivision (a) and a
26 review of costs, services, and expected outcomes related to a child's

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1 mild, moderate, and severe behavioral criteria specified in current
2 contracts.

3 (3) Based on the review required in subsection (2), the department
4 shall by June 1, 2001 prepare a comprehensive report addressing its find-
5 ings, any actions taken as a result of its review, and any recommenda-
6 tions for changes in the payment rates and required outcomes for these
7 programs. The report shall be submitted to the house and senate standing
8 committees dealing with human services, the house and senate appropria-
9 tions subcommittees dealing with appropriations for the family indepen-
10 dence agency, and the house and senate fiscal agencies.

11 (4) Beginning with the first pay period in October 2000, the private
12 agency rate adjustments for the specialized foster care services to chil-
13 dren through contracts with the department from the funds appropriated in
14 section 104 shall be revised as follows:

15 (a) Contracts receiving greater than 90% of the highest rate in
16 effect on September 30, 2000 shall receive a 1% increase.

17 (b) Contracts receiving between 81% and 90% of the highest rate in
18 effect on September 30, 2000 shall receive a 2.5% increase.

19 (c) Contracts receiving between 71% and 80% of the highest rate in
20 effect on September 30, 2000 shall receive a 5% increase.

21 (d) Contracts receiving between 61% and 70% of the highest rate in
22 effect on September 30, 2000 shall receive a 10% increase.

23 (e) Contracts receiving 60% or less than the highest rate in effect
24 on September 30, 2000 shall receive a 15% increase.

25 Sec. 520. It is the intent of the legislature that the funds appro-
26 priated in section 109 for kinship care in the fiscal year ending
27 September 30, 2001 reflect the legislature's commitment to reduce the

1 benefit discrepancy between kinship care and a similar family size within
2 the family independence agency program (FIP). The legislature recognizes
3 the commitment of relatives to provide family continuity, nurturance, and
4 care for this special population of children who can no longer remain in
5 their parents' care due to abuse, neglect, or other social problems.

6 PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

7 Sec. 601. (1) The department may terminate a vendor payment for
8 shelter upon written notice from the appropriate local unit of government
9 that a recipient's rental unit is not in compliance with applicable local
10 housing codes or when the landlord is delinquent on property tax
11 payments. A landlord shall be considered to be in compliance with local
12 housing codes when the department receives from the landlord a signed
13 statement stating that the rental unit is in compliance with local hous-
14 ing codes and that statement is not contradicted by the recipient and the
15 local housing authority. The department shall terminate vendor payments
16 if a taxing authority notifies the department that taxes are delinquent.

17 (2) Whenever a client agrees to the release of his or her name and
18 address to the local housing authority, the department shall request from
19 the local housing authority information regarding whether the housing
20 unit for which vendoring has been requested meets applicable local hous-
21 ing codes. Vendoring shall be terminated for those units that the local
22 authority indicates in writing do not meet local housing codes until such
23 time as the local authority indicates in writing that local housing codes
24 have been met.

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1 (3) In order to participate in the rent vendoring programs of the
2 department, a landlord shall cooperate in weatherization and conservation
3 efforts directed by the department or by an energy provider participating
4 in an agreement with the department when the landlord's property has been
5 identified as needing services.

6 Sec. 602. The department, together with other agencies, may estab-
7 lish special projects to provide special needs shelter payment levels for
8 the family independence program that will support the development of
9 transitional shelter facilities for homeless families. These facilities
10 are to provide supportive services to families and to support the devel-
11 opment of permanent low-income housing.

12 Sec. 603. (1) The department, as it determines is appropriate,
13 shall enter into agreements with energy providers by which cash assist-
14 ance recipients and the energy providers agree to permit the department
15 to make direct payments to the energy providers on behalf of the
16 recipient. The payments may include heat and electric payment require-
17 ments from recipient grants and amounts in excess of the payment
18 requirements.

19 (2) The department shall establish caps for natural gas, wood, elec-
20 tric heat service, deliverable fuel heat services, and for electric serv-
21 ice based on available federal funds.

22 (3) The department shall negotiate with positive billing utility
23 companies to develop extended payment plans. Such plans shall allow cli-
24 ents who terminate from positive billing due to increased income to make
25 monthly payments in order to gradually liquidate utility arrears.

26 Sec. 604. (1) The department shall operate a state disability
27 assistance program. Except as provided in subsection (3), persons

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1 eligible for this program shall include needy citizens of the United
2 States or aliens exempted from the supplemental security income citizen-
3 ship requirement who are at least 18 years of age or emancipated minors
4 meeting 1 or more of the following requirements:

5 (a) A recipient of supplemental security income, social security, or
6 medical assistance due to disability or 65 years of age or older.

7 (b) A person with a physical or mental impairment which meets fed-
8 eral supplemental security income disability standards, except that the
9 minimum duration of the disability shall be 90 days. Substance abuse
10 alone is not defined as a basis for eligibility.

11 (c) A resident of an adult foster care facility, a home for the
12 aged, a county infirmary, or a substance abuse treatment center.

13 (d) A person receiving 30-day postresidential substance abuse
14 treatment.

15 (e) A person diagnosed as having acquired immunodeficiency
16 syndrome.

17 (f) A person receiving special education services through the local
18 intermediate school district.

19 (g) A caretaker of a disabled person as defined in subdivision (a),
20 (b), (e), or (f) above.

21 (2) Applicants for and recipients of the state disability assistance
22 program shall be considered needy if they:

23 (a) Meet the same asset test as is applied to applicants for the
24 family independence program.

25 (b) Have a monthly budgetable income that is less than the payment
26 standards.

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1 (3) Except for a person described in subsection (1)(c) or (d), a
2 person is not disabled for purposes of this section if his or her drug
3 addiction or alcoholism is a contributing factor material to the determi-
4 nation of disability. "Material to the determination of disability"
5 means that, if the person stopped using drugs or alcohol, his or her
6 remaining physical or mental limitations would not be disabling. If his
7 or her remaining physical or mental limitations would be disabling, then
8 the drug addiction or alcoholism is not material to the determination of
9 disability and the person may receive state disability assistance. Such
10 a person must actively participate in a substance abuse treatment pro-
11 gram, and the assistance must be paid to a third party or through vendor
12 payments. For purposes of this section, substance abuse treatment
13 includes receipt of inpatient or outpatient services or participation in
14 alcoholics anonymous or a similar program.

15 (4) A refugee or asylee who loses his or her eligibility for the
16 federal supplemental security income program by virtue of exceeding the
17 maximum time limit for eligibility as delineated in section 402 of
18 title IV of the personal responsibility and work opportunity reconcilia-
19 tion act of 1996, Public Law 104-193, 8 U.S.C. 1612, and who otherwise
20 meets the eligibility criteria under this section shall be eligible to
21 receive benefits under the state disability assistance program.

22 Sec. 605. The level of reimbursement provided to state disability
23 assistance recipients in licensed adult foster care facilities shall be
24 the same as the prevailing supplemental security income rate under the
25 personal care category.

26 Sec. 606. County family independence agencies shall require each
27 recipient of state disability assistance who has applied with the social

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1 security administration for supplemental security income to sign a
2 contract to repay any assistance rendered through the state disability
3 assistance program upon receipt of retroactive supplemental security
4 income benefits.

5 Sec. 607. The department's ability to satisfy appropriation deduc-
6 tions in section 109 for state disability assistance/supplemental secur-
7 ity income recoveries and public assistance recoupment revenues shall not
8 be limited to recoveries and accruals pertaining to state disability
9 assistance, or family independence assistance grant payments provided
10 only in the current fiscal year, but shall include all related net recov-
11 eries received during the current fiscal year.

12 Sec. 608. Adult foster care facilities providing domiciliary care
13 or personal care to residents receiving supplemental security income or
14 homes for the aged serving residents receiving supplemental security
15 income shall not require those residents to reimburse the home or facil-
16 ity for care at rates in excess of those legislatively authorized. To
17 the extent permitted by federal law, adult foster care facilities and
18 homes for the aged serving residents receiving supplemental security
19 income shall not be prohibited from accepting third-party payments in
20 addition to supplemental security income provided that the payments are
21 not for food, clothing, shelter, or result in a reduction in the
22 recipient's supplemental security income payment.

23 Sec. 609. The state supplementation level under the supplemental
24 security income program for the personal care/adult foster care and home
25 for the aged categories shall not be reduced during the fiscal year
26 beginning October 1, 2000 and ending September 30, 2001.

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1 Sec. 610. In developing good cause criteria for the state emergency
2 relief program, the department shall grant exemptions if the emergency
3 resulted from unexpected expenses related to maintaining or securing
4 employment.

5 Sec. 611. (1) The department shall not require providers of burial
6 services to accept state payment for indigent burials as payments in
7 full. Providers shall be permitted to collect additional payment, not to
8 exceed \$2,300.00, from relatives or other persons on behalf of the
9 deceased.

10 (2) Of the additional payments collected in subsection (1), 75%
11 shall be distributed to funeral directors and 25% to cemeteries or crema-
12 toriums if cemeteries provide the vaults.

13 (3) Any additional payment collected pursuant to subsection (1)
14 shall not increase the maximum charge limit for state payment as estab-
15 lished by law.

16 Sec. 612. For purposes of determining housing affordability eligi-
17 bility for state emergency relief, a group is considered to have suffi-
18 cient income to meet ongoing housing expenses if their total housing
19 obligation does not exceed 75% of their total net income.

20 Sec. 613. From the funds appropriated in section 109 for state
21 emergency relief, the maximum allowable charge limit for indigent burials
22 shall be \$1,490.00. It is the intent of the legislature that this charge
23 limit reflect a maximum payment to funeral directors of \$935.00 for
24 funeral goods and services and a maximum payment to cemeteries or crema-
25 toriums of \$355.00 for cemetery goods and services. In addition, a maxi-
26 mum payment of \$200.00 shall be distributed to either the funeral
27 director or cemetery, whoever provides the burial vault.

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1 Sec. 614. The funds available pursuant to this section shall be
2 available if the deceased was an eligible recipient and an application
3 for emergency relief funds was made within 10 days of the burial or cre-
4 mation of the deceased person. Each provider of burial services shall be
5 paid directly by the department.

6 Sec. 615. Except as required by federal law or regulations, funds
7 appropriated in section 109 shall not be used to provide public assist-
8 ance to a person who is an illegal alien. This section shall not pro-
9 hibit the department from entering into contracts with food banks or
10 emergency shelter providers who may, as a normal part of doing business,
11 provide food or emergency shelter to individuals.

12 Sec. 616. (1) The appropriation in section 109 for the weatheriza-
13 tion program shall be expended in such a manner that at least 25% of the
14 households weatherized under the program shall be households of families
15 receiving family independence assistance, state disability assistance, or
16 supplemental security income.

17 (2) Any unencumbered balances of the weatherization program shall
18 not lapse and may be carried forward to fiscal year 2002.

19 Sec. 617. In operating the family independence program with funds
20 appropriated in section 109, the department shall not approve as a minor
21 parent's adult supervised household a living arrangement in which the
22 minor parent lives with his or her partner as the supervising adult.

23 Sec. 618. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), the
24 department shall provide not less than 10 days' notice before reducing,
25 terminating, or suspending assistance provided under the social welfare
26 act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.1 to 400.119b.

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1 (2) The department may only reduce, terminate, or suspend assistance
2 provided under the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.1 to
3 400.119b, without prior notice in 1 or more of the following situations:

4 (a) The only eligible recipient has died.

5 (b) A recipient member of a program group or family independence
6 assistance group has died.

7 (c) A recipient child is removed from his or her family home by
8 court action.

9 (d) A recipient requests in writing that his or her assistance be
10 reduced, terminated, or suspended.

11 (e) A recipient has intentionally violated 1 or more of the require-
12 ments of the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.1 to 400.119b.

13 (f) A recipient has been approved to receive assistance in another
14 state.

15 (g) A change in either state or federal law that requires automatic
16 grant adjustments for classes of recipients.

17 (3) If a recipient appeals the department's determination to reduce,
18 terminate, or suspend his or her assistance within 10 days from the mail-
19 ing of the notice of negative action, the department shall not reduce,
20 terminate, or suspend that assistance until there is a final determina-
21 tion of that appeal upholding the department's determination to reduce,
22 terminate, or suspend that assistance.

23 Sec. 619. The department shall exempt from the denial of title IV-A
24 assistance and food stamp benefits, contained in section 115 of title I
25 of the personal responsibility and work opportunity reconciliation act of
26 1996, Public Law 104-193, 21 U.S.C. 862a, any individual who has been
27 convicted of a felony that included the possession, use, or distribution

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1 of a controlled substance, after August 22, 1996, provided that the
2 individual is not in violation of his or her probation or parole
3 requirements. Benefits shall be provided to such individuals as
4 follows:

5 (a) A third-party payee or vendor shall be required for any cash
6 benefits provided.

7 (b) An authorized representative shall be required for food stamp
8 receipt.

9 Sec. 620. (1) The department shall ensure that all family indepen-
10 dence agency clients are informed in writing of additional programs for
11 which they may potentially be eligible. Notification of programs should
12 at a minimum include information on transitional Medicaid, LIF Medicaid,
13 Healthy Kids, and MICHild, transitional child day care services, extended
14 payment plans with positive billing utility companies as negotiated under
15 section 603(3) of this bill including emergency assistance with utility
16 arrearages, tax credits available to low income households, opportunities
17 for skills development, training and education, training programs admin-
18 istered by the department of career development, individual development
19 account opportunities, and instructions on the application process for
20 each program benefit.

21 (2) At the client's discretion, the department shall grant an exit
22 interview to discuss issues pertaining to self-sufficiency including all
23 of the information outlined in subsection (1). Clients shall be notified
24 of their right to an exit interview.

25 Sec. 621. Funds appropriated in part 1 may be used to support mul-
26 ticultural assimilation and support services. The department shall

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1 distribute all of the funds described in this section based on assessed
2 community needs.

3 Sec. 622. (1) Using all relevant state data sources, the department
4 in collaboration with Michigan department of career development shall
5 acquire data on former work first participants whose family independence
6 program cases closed due to earnings during fiscal year ending
7 September 30, 1999, for the second year in the continuing longitudinal
8 study started in fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. In addition,
9 first year data will also be compiled on former work first participants
10 whose family independence program cases were closed due to earnings
11 during fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. The data will include:

12 (a) Number and percentage employed.

13 (b) Average hourly wage of those employed.

14 (c) Current hourly wage of those employed.

15 (d) Range of wages earned by those employed.

16 (e) Number of individuals that earned each wage amount.

17 (f) Number and percentage receiving health care benefits from their
18 employer.

19 (g) Number and percentage receiving tuition reimbursement from their
20 employer.

21 (h) Number and percentage receiving training benefits from their
22 employer.

23 (i) The type of jobs obtained by former recipients in general
24 categories.

25 (j) The length of time former recipients have retained their jobs,
26 or if they have had more than 1 job, the length of time employed at each
27 job.

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1 (k) Number and percentage continuing to receive any type of public
2 assistance.

3 (l) If the former recipient has children, whether the children are
4 enrolled in and attending school.

5 (m) The extent to which the former recipient feels that he or she
6 and his or her family are better off now than when they were on cash
7 assistance with regard to household income, housing, food and nutritional
8 needs, child health care, and access to health insurance coverage.

9 (n) If the client has participated in training and the type of
10 training participated in.

11 (2) The department in collaboration with the department of career
12 development shall file a report containing the identified data with the
13 appropriate house and senate appropriations subcommittees and fiscal
14 agencies by March 15, 2001.

15 (3) The department shall cooperate with the department of career
16 development in formulating and acquiring the identified data.

17 (4) The department together with the department of career develop-
18 ment may retain a third party to conduct the studies to obtain the data
19 identified under this section.

20 (5) The department shall work with the department of career develop-
21 ment to increase communication between the 2 departments while implement-
22 ing the provisions of this section.

23 Sec. 623. From the funds appropriated in section 109, \$100,000.00
24 may be used to leverage additional funds and to promote private or non-
25 profit sector matching funds in individual development accounts for
26 family independence program recipients pursuant to the personal
27 responsibility and work opportunity reconciliation act of 1996, Public

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1 Law 104-193, 110 Stat. 2105. These funds may be used to support
2 individual development accounts for both home purchase and education.

3 Sec. 624. The department shall maintain a plan to provide for the
4 implementation of individual development accounts pursuant to section 57k
5 of the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.57k, by individuals who
6 apply for or receive public assistance from the department.

7 Sec. 625. From the funds appropriated in section 109, the depart-
8 ment in collaboration with the Michigan state university center for urban
9 affairs and its partner organizations, the Michigan credit union league
10 and the national federation of community development credit unions, shall
11 further the work begun in fiscal year 1999-2000 that implemented the
12 individual development accounts programs in the growing number of
13 low-income designated credit unions, i.e., community development credit
14 unions (CDCUs) located in this state's poorest communities. This further
15 work will extend capacity-building and technical assistance services to
16 existing and emerging CDCUs serving low-income populations and will
17 include:

18 (a) Creation of a Michigan-based support system for the
19 capacity-building of existing and emerging CDCUs serving low-income indi-
20 viduals and families, including development and testing of training,
21 technical assistance, and professional development initiatives and
22 related materials, and other capacity-building services to Michigan
23 CDCUs.

24 (b) Other related support to assist existing and emerging CDCUs in
25 becoming self-supporting institutions to assist impoverished Michigan
26 residents in becoming economically independent.

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1 (c) Training and technical assistance to CDCUs in the development of
2 support services, such as economic literacy, credit counseling, budget
3 counseling, and asset management programs for low-income individuals and
4 families.

5 Sec. 626. (1) From the funds appropriated in section 109 for day
6 care services, the department shall expend at least \$800,000.00 for day
7 care provider training programs administered under contract with the
8 Michigan community coordinated child care association. Training shall be
9 made available to all day care providers including those who work out of
10 centers, group homes, family homes, and the homes of relatives, and
11 in-home aides.

12 (2) From the funds appropriated in subsection (1), the Michigan com-
13 munity coordinated child care association shall administer a training
14 pilot project targeting in-home aides and persons providing child care to
15 relatives. Providers who verify that they have received day care pay-
16 ments for at least 3 months from the department and who successfully com-
17 plete at least 15 hours of approved child care training shall be eligible
18 to receive a 1-time lump sum payment of up to \$150.00 for training
19 received after October 1, 2000. The total paid in lump sum payments and
20 training costs shall not exceed \$300,000.00. Approved training may
21 include programs operated by the Michigan community coordinated child
22 care association, the Michigan association for the education of young
23 children, community colleges, universities, or university extension
24 programs.

25 (3) On or before March 1, 2001, the department shall provide the
26 house and senate appropriations subcommittees on the family independence

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1 agency budget a progress report on the pilot project authorized in
2 subsection (2).

3 Sec. 627. (1) From the funds appropriated in section 109 for day
4 care services, the department shall contract with the Michigan community
5 coordinated child care association to administer an amount not to exceed
6 \$1,350,000.00 for the "enhance quality improvement program" (EQUIP)
7 grants. A priority for the expenditure of EQUIP funds shall be given to
8 providers to expand access to child care, specifically 24-hour care and
9 weekend care. A child care program shall not be eligible for an EQUIP
10 grant unless 25% or more of its clients receive day care payments from
11 the department.

12 (2) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for day care services, the
13 department shall establish an additional fund of at least \$350,000.00 for
14 a grant pool for an "enhance quality improvement program" (EQUIP) specif-
15 ically to establish new family and group home day care providers.

16 Sec. 628. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, \$100,000.00
17 shall be used to support the continuation of the "ready to succeed dia-
18 logue with Michigan" to continue the exploration and development of a
19 system of early childhood education, care, and support in this state that
20 meets the needs of every child. This appropriation shall be used to
21 leverage other private and public funding to bring together leaders from
22 state and local governments, corporate and small business, the faith com-
23 munity, law enforcement, educators, parents, experts in early childhood
24 development, current providers, and others to continue the development of
25 a voluntary system of universal access to early childhood education,
26 care, and support that respects the diversity of Michigan families.

1 (2) The "ready to succeed dialogue with Michigan" shall provide a
2 report to the legislature on its activities and recommendations not later
3 than September 30, 2001. The report shall address at least the following
4 items:

5 (a) Helping parents obtain safe, high quality early childhood educa-
6 tion and care.

7 (b) Improving the quality of care in Michigan and the qualifications
8 of providers.

9 (c) Educating parents and community about the importance of quality
10 education and care in the first years of a child's life.

11 (d) Improving the environment in Michigan for young children includ-
12 ing access to quality care for all young children, especially those with
13 special needs and those whose parents work nontraditional hours.

14 (e) Efforts to organize local community leadership to address the
15 needs of families with young children and coordinate local services to
16 better achieve this goal.

17 (3) Organizational leadership for planning and conducting the ready
18 to succeed dialogue with Michigan shall be provided by the ready to suc-
19 ceed coordinating committee. Committee membership includes representa-
20 tives from C.S. Mott, Frey foundation, McGregor fund, the Skillman foun-
21 dation, W.K. Kellogg foundation, family independence agency, department
22 of education, union organization, ECEC organizations, 6 legislators from
23 the legislative children's caucus, and leaders from priority action
24 teams. The coordinating committee shall name a fiduciary agent and may
25 authorize the expenditure of funds and hiring people to accomplish its
26 work. The committee shall provide the department with a full accounting

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1 of its revenues and expenditures for the period covered by this
2 appropriation.

3 Sec. 629. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, up to
4 \$275,000.00 shall be utilized by the family independence agency to con-
5 tract with Goodwill Industries, Michigan Businesses, Partners in Public
6 Education, Family Guidance Center, Faith, Inc., and businesses including
7 medical providers, manufacturing industries, and human services and hos-
8 pitality providers to initiate a career tracked approach to employment of
9 individuals receiving TANF. Career training will include, but not be
10 limited to, certified nurse aide training, child care provision, and man-
11 ufacturing and retail and service industries. The following criteria
12 will be met:

13 (a) The program shall be implemented as a pilot program.

14 (b) The program shall be developed through community partnerships
15 with businesses that shall agree to provide jobs related to the training
16 at the end of the training period.

17 (c) Eligible participants shall include homeless individuals, family
18 independence program recipients, and work first clients referred by the
19 family independence agency.

20 (d) Training shall be limited to not longer than 6 months in
21 duration.

22 (e) Training shall be directed to achieving or gaining skills that
23 will lead to significant skilled employment for the participants such as
24 a certification as a nurse's aide.

25 (f) Training shall be reasonably calculated to lead to full-time
26 skilled employment.

1 (g) Participants shall receive any additional support needed to
2 facilitate participation in the training program within reasonable
3 parameters established by the department of career development including,
4 but not limited to, both of the following:

5 (i) Child day care, including evening or nighttime care if
6 appropriate.

7 (ii) Transportation.

8 (h) Eligible family independence program recipients and work first
9 clients who commence training will be allowed to complete training, as
10 long as all program participation requirements are being met.

11 (2) It is the intent of this section that all program participants
12 satisfy the state work requirements.

13 Sec. 630. (1) The department and the department of career develop-
14 ment shall continue to collaborate on refining and making available to
15 work first participants clear joint guidelines on the eligibility of par-
16 ticipants for postemployment training support and on how
17 training/education hours can be applied toward federal work participation
18 requirements. These guidelines shall balance the ability of participants
19 to obtain training and subsequent long-term, high-wage employment with
20 the need to connect participants with the workplace. Any and all
21 training/education, with the exception of high school completion and GED
22 preparation, must be occupationally relevant and in demand in the labor
23 market as determined by the workforce development board. Participants
24 must make satisfactory progress while in training/education. The depart-
25 ment shall submit a progress report on these continuing efforts to the
26 house and senate appropriations subcommittees with jurisdiction over the

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1 department and over the department of career development and to the house
2 and senate fiscal agencies by October 1, 2000.

3 (2) Work first participants may meet the work participation require-
4 ment by combining a minimum of 10 hours per week of work with
5 training/education. Training/education may last up to 12 months and the
6 calculated hours may include actual classroom seat time up to 10 hours
7 per week plus up to 1 hour of study time for each hour of classroom seat
8 time. The combined work and training/education hours must equal the min-
9 imum number of hours required to meet the federal work participation
10 requirements, 30 hours per week for a single parent, 35 hours per week
11 for 2-parent families (55 hours if utilizing federally funded day care),
12 and 20 hours per week for single parents with a child under the age of
13 6. Work first participants may enroll in additional hours of classroom
14 seat time beyond 10 hours. However, these hours and the related study
15 time will not count toward the work participation requirements. The
16 training may be no longer than a 1-year program, or the final year of a
17 2- or 4-year undergraduate program which is designed to lead to immediate
18 labor force attachment.

19 (3) Work first participants may meet the federal work participation
20 requirement through enrollment in a short-term vocational program requir-
21 ing 30 hours of classroom seat time per week for a period not to exceed 6
22 months, or by enrollment in full-time internships, practicums, or clini-
23 cals required by an academic or training institution for licensure, pro-
24 fessional certification, or degree completion, without additional work
25 requirements. Two-parent families who receive federally funded day care
26 must work an additional 25 hours per week to meet the federal work
27 participation requirement. In cases where a short-term vocational

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1 program lasts less than 6 months, the participant shall be eligible to
2 enroll in 1 additional short-term vocational program for a combined
3 period not to exceed a total of 6 months.

4 (4) Work first participants who lack a high school diploma or GED
5 and who enroll in high school completion or classes to obtain a GED may
6 count up to 10 hours of classroom seat time, combined with a minimum
7 number of hours of work per week, to meet their federal work participa-
8 tion requirement. There shall be no time limit on high school
9 completion. GED preparation shall be limited to 6 months.

10 (5) The department and the department of career development shall
11 develop a procedure to ensure that the guidelines established under this
12 section are effectively communicated to all possible participants of the
13 postemployment training and education program, including the provision of
14 outreach activities in community colleges.

15 Sec. 631. The department shall maintain policies and procedures to
16 achieve all of the following:

17 (a) The identification of individuals on entry into the system who
18 have a history of domestic violence, while maintaining the confidential-
19 ity of that information.

20 (b) Referral of persons so identified to counseling and supportive
21 services.

22 (c) In accordance with a determination of good cause, the waiving of
23 certain requirements of family independence programs where compliance
24 with those requirements would make it more difficult for the individual
25 to escape domestic violence or would unfairly penalize individuals who
26 have been victims of domestic violence or who are at risk of further
27 domestic violence.

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1 Sec. 632. The department shall calculate the food stamp allotment
2 for applicants who are United States citizens and who live in a household
3 with legal immigrants in a manner that maximizes the food stamps avail-
4 able to these United States citizens under federal law.

5 Sec. 633. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for day care serv-
6 ices, the department may establish a \$25,000,000.00 accessibility incen-
7 tive pool to increase the accessibility to quality child day care, espe-
8 cially care for children between birth and 2-1/2 years of age. The state
9 may utilize the funds appropriated in this pool to implement 1 or more of
10 the recommendations in the department's child day care report and/or 1 or
11 more of the following:

12 (a) Provide 1-time accessibility incentive grants to child day care
13 providers whose enrollment for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000
14 includes children whose care is subsidized by the department, that have
15 family independence agency subsidized children in care, and that provide
16 documentation of the children enrolled. Incentive grants shall also be
17 awarded to providers who create new spaces for children with special
18 needs, children under 2-1/2 years of age, children whose care is subsi-
19 dized by the department, and children who are in need of weekend or
20 evening care.

21 (b) Provide outreach activities and technical assistance to busi-
22 nesses interested in providing licensed child day care services to their
23 employees.

24 (c) Provide start-up grants to businesses and individuals interested
25 in establishing licensed child day care services. In order to receive
26 these grants, the businesses and individuals must commit in writing to
27 the family independence agency department that they will maintain a

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1 clientele for at least the next 2 years, 25% of which falls below 200% of
2 the federal poverty guidelines. Failure to document this shall result in
3 being required to repay the grant award in full. In order to receive the
4 grants, individuals and businesses must provide a match of \$2.00 for each
5 \$1.00 received. Priority for grants under this subdivision shall be
6 given to businesses and individuals that commit to providing child day
7 care services to children in need of evening and weekend care, children
8 with special needs, or children under 2-1/2 years of age.

9 (d) Provide 1-time grants to businesses, individuals, and schools
10 that provide child day care services for the purpose of capital improve-
11 ments or quality enhancements to the child day care facilities.

12 Sec. 634. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for the family
13 independence program, the family independence agency shall expend up to
14 \$250,000.00 to develop and fund a parenting skills and career development
15 pilot program that meets all of the following criteria:

16 (a) Identification of single parents eligible for cash assistance
17 having children up to 3 years old.

18 (b) Referral of persons identified under subdivision (a) to a local
19 collaborative program responsible for the development and supervision of
20 a comprehensive parenting skills and career development plan for each
21 referred client.

22 (c) Each referred client shall participate in 20 hours a week of
23 parenting skills training that is a formal professional program with
24 either a trainer or facilitator and career development activities as
25 detailed in his or her comprehensive plan and monitored by the local col-
26 laborative program.

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1 (d) Participation in the above activities for the hours specified
2 would satisfy cash assistance work requirements.

3 (e) The program must not place the state of Michigan in violation of
4 work requirements as defined in the federal personal responsibility and
5 work opportunity reconciliation act of 1996, Public Law 104-193.

6 (2) The local collaborative program shall provide the department
7 with a report not later than September 30, 2001 that includes all of the
8 following:

9 (a) The number of participants served.

10 (b) The family size of participants served.

11 (c) Participants' rate of compliance with their comprehensive
12 plans.

13 (d) The number of participants attending postsecondary education or
14 vocational training programs.

15 (e) Parenting skills training outcomes.

16 (f) The number of participants working at the time the report is
17 completed.

18 (g) The average cost per participant of the program.

19 (h) Any other information that the department considers relevant.

20 Sec. 635. Within 6 business days of receiving all information nec-
21 essary to process an application for payments for child day care, the
22 family independence agency shall determine whether the child day care
23 provider to whom the payments, if approved, would be made, is listed on
24 the child abuse and neglect central registry. If the provider is listed
25 on the central registry, the family independence agency shall immediately
26 send written notice denying the applicant's request for child day care
27 payments.

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1 Sec. 636. The department shall submit a report to the house and
2 senate appropriations committees and the house and senate standing com-
3 mittees having jurisdiction over human services matters by March 1, 2001
4 on the subject of late payments to child day care providers for the year
5 of 2000. The report shall include the reasons for any late payments made
6 to providers.

7 Sec. 637. The department and the department of career development
8 shall work together to develop a program to provide employment services
9 to former family independence program recipients and to recipients of
10 noncash public assistance benefits, such as child day care, Medicaid, or
11 food stamp benefits. This program shall not be construed to be an enti-
12 tlement to services.

13 Sec. 638. If funds are appropriated in the school aid act estab-
14 lishing a new full-day school readiness program for at-risk 3- and
15 4-year-olds for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, funds appro-
16 priated in part 1 for day care services may be used to fund the
17 wrap-around day care services provided.

18 Sec. 639. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for day care
19 services, the family independence agency shall expend at least
20 \$1,250,000.00 to develop and fund a TEACH pilot program that meets all of
21 the following criteria:

22 (a) Implementation of the pilot program in at least 2 urban and 2
23 rural areas utilizing the TEACH model developed in North Carolina.

24 (b) Development of educational standards for TEACH provider
25 incentives.

26 (c) Development of advertisement and management systems.

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1 (2) Participating pilot areas referenced in subsection (1) shall
2 provide the department with a report not later than September 30, 2001
3 that includes all of the following:

4 (a) A detailed program implementation description.

5 (b) The number of providers served.

6 (c) The number of training hours completed.

7 (d) The number of participating centers.

8 (e) The average cost per participant of the program.

9 (f) Any other information that the department considers relevant.

10 (3) The department may partner with the Michigan 4C association and
11 local community colleges to accomplish the requirements under this
12 section.

13 Sec. 640. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for day care serv-
14 ices, the family independence agency shall expend up to \$16,740,000.00 to
15 provide a rate increase based on the levels recommended in the market
16 rate survey conducted in the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 to
17 child day care providers serving children from 0 to 2-1/2 years of age.

18 Sec. 641. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for day care serv-
19 ices, while maintaining the current minimum level for the 30% payment
20 category, the family independence agency shall expend up to \$5,100,000.00
21 to expand eligibility for reimbursement at 30% of the agency's maximum
22 payment category to families at or below 200% of the federal poverty
23 guidelines depending on family size.

24 Sec. 642. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
25 appropriated \$300,000.00 for the development of public/private partner-
26 ships for high quality early childhood education and care.

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1 (2) The department shall sponsor, not later than October 31, 2000, a
2 kickoff event that would define the establishment of and support of
3 regional public/private partnership models for Michigan. The event may
4 be conducted in collaboration with the "ready to succeed dialogue with
5 Michigan". The kickoff event participants shall include representatives
6 of the family independence agency, the Michigan department of education,
7 Michigan employers including large and small businesses, service indus-
8 tries, community action agencies, Michigan works agencies, local county
9 and city governments and school districts, 4C associations, United Way,
10 the Michigan children's trust fund, and Michigan-based foundations.

11 (3) The family independence agency shall establish a competitive
12 grant application for the establishment of local and regional
13 public/private coalitions. Grants of up to \$3,000.00 shall be available
14 to local communities for planning a conference that brings together busi-
15 nesses with public and private representatives. Grants of up to
16 \$30,000.00 shall be available to local coalitions for staffing and mar-
17 keting necessary to support the planning, development, and implementation
18 of public/private partnerships to create high quality community-based
19 child care facilities.

20 (4) The family independence agency shall establish criteria for the
21 grant process that shall include a priority for communities with short-
22 ages of qualified child care providers and enterprise communities. The
23 department may give priority to communities that have established
24 public/private partnerships through the "ready to succeed dialogue with
25 Michigan" or other foundation-sponsored initiatives.

26 Sec. 643. It is the intent of the legislature that an additional
27 \$2,000,000.00 in TANF shall be used to increase the reimbursement rate to

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1 shelters by \$2.00 to \$13.00 per day. As a condition of receipt of
2 federal TANF funds, homeless shelters shall collaborate with the family
3 independence agency to obtain necessary TANF eligibility information on
4 families as soon as possible after admitting a family to the homeless
5 shelter.

6 Sec. 644. Effective October 1, 2000, from the funds in section 109,
7 the department shall increase the lifetime limit for non-energy-related
8 home repairs to \$2,000.00.

9 Sec. 645. An individual or family is considered homeless, for pur-
10 poses of eligibility for state emergency relief, if living temporarily
11 with others in order to escape domestic violence. For purposes of this
12 section, domestic violence is defined and verified in the same manner as
13 in the family independence agency's policies on good cause for not coop-
14 erating with child support and paternity requirements.

15 Sec. 646. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the department
16 shall not expend more than \$27,000,000.00 of federal TANF funding for
17 payment of homestead property tax credits for low-income families.

18 Sec. 647. In section 109, the rainy day fund for family indepen-
19 dence program caseload line is funded with TANF dollars. Funding repre-
20 sents the annual costs of 6,000 family independence program cases. This
21 funding is only to be used by the department when the family independence
22 program monthly caseload exceeds the average monthly caseload level
23 established in fiscal year 1996-1997.

24 Sec. 648. From the funds appropriated in section 109 for assistance
25 payments, the department shall continue to make assistance payments to
26 recipients beyond the federal 5-year limit set under the personal
27 responsibility and work opportunity reconciliation act of 1996, Public

1 Law 104-193, 110 Stat. 2105, providing the recipient is complying with
2 asset, income, and participation standards set as a condition of eligi-
3 bility to receive assistance.

4 Sec. 649. From the funds appropriated in part 1, up to \$112,500.00
5 may be utilized by the family independence agency to contract with
6 Saginaw service career paths, a program under development in Saginaw to
7 assist low-income persons in developing their economic potential by com-
8 bining mentoring and training with actual work experience.

9 Sec. 650. From federal TANF funds appropriated in part 1, the
10 family independence agency shall create an energy assistance pool for the
11 purpose of assisting family independence program recipients to make a
12 successful transition from welfare to work. Eligibility is limited to
13 individuals to whom both of the following apply:

14 (a) The individual's family independence program case was closed due
15 to earnings within the prior 60-day period.

16 (b) The individual has an outstanding gas bill, electric bill, or
17 both as a result of the positive billing program.

[Sec. 651. Children of families participating in the family independence summer project shall not be required to participate in the project. Families shall have the option of including their children in the summer project.]

Sec. 652. Each office of the friend of the court shall aggressively pursue equally child support collections and arrearages on all support orders for children who are either recipients of family independence program benefits or nonrecipients of family independence program benefits.

Sec. 653. From the funds appropriated in section 109 for food stamps, an individual who is the victim of domestic violence and does not qualify for any other exemption may be exempt from the 3-month in 36-month limit on receiving food stamps under section 6(o)(6) of the food stamp act of 1977, Public Law 88-525, 7 U.S.C. 2015. This exemption can be extended an additional 3 months upon demonstration of continuing need.

Sec. 654. From the funds appropriated in section 104, the family independence agency shall expend \$100,000.00 for developing and distributing pamphlets and other forms of public service information regarding procedures for individuals to take their unwanted and unharmed newborns to a local hospital within 72 hours after the birth of the newborn. The provisions of this section are contingent upon enactment of legislation granting immunity from criminal prosecution for child neglect.

Sec. 655. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the department may add up to 50 new FTEs to work in the area of child protective services or may utilize funding in the area of child protective services for other safety initiatives.]

18 **JUVENILE JUSTICE SERVICES**

19 Sec. 701. The department shall expend a portion of the federal
20 juvenile accountability incentive block grant to support the boot camp
21 program. The remainder of the state allocation of the juvenile account-
22 ability incentive block grant shall be used to provide funding to enable
23 juvenile courts, juvenile probation offices, and community-based programs
24 to be more effective and efficient in holding juvenile offenders
25 accountable and reducing recidivism, treating substance abuse problems,

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1 and developing community-based alternatives for female offenders and the
2 following:

3 (a) To better address gang, drug, and youth violence.

4 (b) For training, equipment, and technology.

5 (c) For the establishment of programs that protect students and
6 school personnel from drug, gang, and youth violence.

7 Sec. 702. Expansion of facilities funded under section 105 for
8 juvenile justice services shall not be authorized by the joint capital
9 outlay subcommittee of the appropriations committees until the department
10 has held a public hearing in the community where the facility proposed to
11 be expanded is located.

12 Sec. 703. A juvenile adjudicated and placed in a state operated
13 maximum security program funded under section 105 for juvenile justice
14 services shall not be allowed to leave the property of the maximum secur-
15 ity facility at which the program is located except when required to
16 leave the property for medical treatment, court appearances, or other
17 good cause approved by the facility director. For purposes of this sec-
18 tion, "juvenile" means that term as defined in section 115n of the social
19 welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.115n.

20 Sec. 704. New facilities funded under section 105 for juvenile jus-
21 tice services shall not be located within 1,500 feet of property in use
22 for a K-12 educational program.

[Sec. 705. (1) The department shall report on the W.J. Maxey
facility to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on the
family independence agency budget as part of their annual budget
presentation. The report shall include the following:

(a) Population reintegration goals for juvenile justice wards
including, but not limited to, the categorization of positive outcomes and
recidivism by age and incarceration type.

(b) Facility media policy to ensure reinforcement and consistency
with treatment plans and desired ward outcomes.

(c) Staff and resident safety.

(d) Outcome based service and treatment program plan for wards who
are sex offenders or substance abusers.

(e) Facility procedure following traumatic campus occurrences such
as, but not limited to, violent and sexual assaults.

(f) Progress of facility construction including, but not limited
to:

(i) Scope and cost of the construction contract.

(ii) Construction schedule.

(iii) Radio and security system warranties.

(g) Quality control process for resident service and release plans.

(2) The department shall ensure that all juveniles coming into care
receive an assessment which includes a review of dysfunctional behavior in
adolescents. In addition, the department shall ensure that all treatment
addresses:

(a) Dysfunctional family practices, such as substance abuse and
domestic violence.

(b) Sexual harassment and gender bias.

(c) Cultural and ethnic sensitivity.

Sec. 706. From the funds appropriated in section 105, the
department may expend funds to develop a 12-month pilot program to
identify and treat biochemical imbalances in state wards. The department
may seek and accept proposals for program management. Ward participation
in the pilot shall be voluntary and require consent of the ward's parent
or legal guardian. The department shall complete an independent assessment
of the program and provide a report to the house and senate appropriations
subcommittees on the family independence agency budget within 16 months of
the program's inception.]

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1 DISABILITY DETERMINATION SERVICES

2 Sec. 801. The family independence agency disability determination
3 services in agreement with the department of management and budget office
4 of retirement systems will develop the medical information and determine
5 eligibility of medical disability retirement for state employees, state
6 police, judges, and school teachers.