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House Bill 4098

Sponsor: Rep. Willis Bullard, Jr.

Committee: Judiciary

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4098 AS INTRODUCED 2-7-89

The bill would amend the Social Welfare Act to make it a felony punishable as perjury (that is, by imprisonment for up to 15 years) for a person knowingly to make a false or incomplete statement in an application for assistance under the act. Each applicant (or third person acting on behalf of an applicant) would have to sign the application and a declaration that to the best of the person's knowledge all facts contained in the application were true and complete. The bill would make consent to state investigation to verify eligibility a condition of receiving assistance.

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