

HOUSE BILL No. 4376

March 7, 1989, Introduced by Reps. Martin, Watkins, Camp, Hunter and Gilmer, and referred to the Committee on Social Services and Youth.

A bill to establish a system that provides medical and other services to persons who become ineligible for public assistance by becoming employed; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
2 "employment enhancement act".

3 Sec. 2. As used in this act:

4 (a) "Department" means the department of social services.

5 (b) "Public assistance" means aid to families with dependent
6 children or general assistance administered under the social wel-
7 fare act.

8 (c) "Social welfare act" means Act No. 280 of the Public
9 Acts of 1939, being sections 400.1 to 400.121 of the Michigan
10 Compiled Laws.

1 Sec. 3. The department shall establish and operate a
2 program that provides medical services and a child care allowance
3 to a person who, after receiving public assistance in this state
4 after the effective date of this act, becomes ineligible for fur-
5 ther public assistance because he or she is employed.

6 Sec. 4. (1) The medical services provided under this act
7 shall include, but are not limited to, all medical services
8 included in the medical assistance program under the social wel-
9 fare act and shall cover the recipient's dependents to the same
10 extent as those dependents would be covered by the medical
11 assistance program under the social welfare act.

12 (2) The department shall reimburse providers of medical
13 services provided under this act in the same manner as providers
14 are reimbursed pursuant to the medical assistance program under
15 the social welfare act.

16 (3) A person eligible for medical services under this act
17 remains eligible until the first of either of the following
18 events:

19 (a) The expiration of a period of 5 years after the date on
20 which he or she becomes ineligible for public assistance because
21 he or she is employed.

22 (b) The person is covered by a policy of health insurance or
23 other health care coverage.

24 Sec. 5. (1) The child care allowance provided under this
25 act shall be the same as the amount paid by the state to recip-
26 ients of aid to families with dependent children for the purposes
27 of paying the expenses of child care.

1 (2) A person eligible for a child care allowance under this
2 act remains eligible until the first of either of the following
3 events:

4 (a) The expiration of a period of 5 years after the date on
5 which he or she becomes ineligible for public assistance because
6 he or she is employed.

7 (b) Other adequate child care services are available without
8 charge to the person.

9 Sec. 6. A recipient of medical services or a child care
10 allowance under this act shall provide to the department the
11 identity and address of his or her employer, and any other infor-
12 mation about his or her employment or employer that is reasonably
13 required by the department for the purposes of this act.

14 Sec. 7. The department shall provide to the department of
15 treasury information concerning the recipient to the extent nec-
16 essary to compute the credit allowed under section 37c of the
17 single business tax act, Act No. 228 of the Public Acts of 1975,
18 being section 208.37c of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

19 Sec. 8. The department shall pay the medical services and
20 child care allowance established under this act with state funds
21 except to the extent that federal funds are permitted to be used
22 for all or any part of those programs. The department shall
23 endeavor to use all federal funds that may be used for purposes
24 of this act, and promptly shall seek any waivers of federal law
25 or regulations that are required to implement any part of this
26 act.

1 Sec. 9. The department may promulgate rules to implement
2 this act pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969,
3 Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, being sections 24.201 to
4 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

5 Sec. 10. This act shall not take effect unless Senate Bill
6 No. _____ or House Bill No. 4377 (request no. 01051'89 a) of the
7 85th Legislature is enacted into law.