

HOUSE BILL No. 6108

September 26, 1990, Introduced by Rep. Jaye and referred to the Committee on Social Services and Youth.

A bill to amend Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1939, entitled as amended

"The social welfare act,"

as amended, being sections 400.1 to 400.121 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, by adding section 10a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1939, as
2 amended, being sections 400.1 to 400.121 of the Michigan Compiled
3 Laws, is amended by adding section 10a to read as follows:

4 SEC. 10A. (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW
5 AS A CONDITION OF FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT, THE STATE DEPARTMENT
6 SHALL NOT DISTRIBUTE ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS BY MAIL. ASSISTANCE
7 PAYMENTS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

8 (2) THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROMULGATE RULES TO PROVIDE
9 FOR A DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IN WHICH RECIPIENTS PICK UP ASSISTANCE

1 PAYMENTS AT A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION. RECIPIENTS SHALL BE
2 PERMITTED TO CHOOSE A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION FROM AMONG PARTICI-
3 PATING FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. THE RULES SHALL PROVIDE FOR ALL
4 OF THE FOLLOWING:

5 (A) A SCHEDULE OF REIMBURSEMENT FOR A FINANCIAL
6 INSTITUTION'S REASONABLE AND NECESSARY COSTS OF PARTICIPATING IN
7 THE PROGRAM.

8 (B) TERMS AND CONDITIONS TO BE INCLUDED IN AGREEMENTS
9 BETWEEN PARTICIPATING FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND THE STATE
10 DEPARTMENT.

11 (C) CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH A THIRD PERSON DESIGNATED BY
12 THE RECIPIENT MAY PICK UP THE ASSISTANCE PAYMENT FOR THE
13 RECIPIENT.

14 (3) THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL PAY FOR THE COST OF TRANSPOR-
15 TATION UNDER THIS SECTION FOR A RECIPIENT WHO LIVES MORE THAN 2
16 MILES FROM THE NEAREST PARTICIPATING FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.

17 (4) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:

18 (A) "ASSISTANCE PAYMENT" MEANS A PAYMENT MADE DIRECTLY TO AN
19 INDIVIDUAL OR FAMILY UNDER A PROGRAM OF GENERAL ASSISTANCE OR AID
20 TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN. ASSISTANCE PAYMENT DOES NOT
21 INCLUDE A PAYMENT MADE DIRECTLY TO A VENDOR UNDER THIS ACT.

22 (B) "FINANCIAL INSTITUTION" MEANS A BANK, SAVINGS AND LOAN
23 INSTITUTION, MORTGAGE COMPANY, OR CREDIT UNION.