

# Legislative Analysis

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**House Bill 5512**

**Sponsor: Rep. Kenneth Kurtz**

**Committee: Families, Children, and Seniors**

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### **A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5512 AS INTRODUCED 5-1-14**

The bill would amend the Social Welfare Act (MCL 400.57 et al) to specify that Family Independence Program assistance benefits could be denied or terminated if a recipient fails to comply with applicable child support requirements including efforts to establish paternity and assign or obtain child support. (The underlined language is new.)

The bill would also strike obsolete rule-making language, and replace references to the JET program with references to the successor PATH program.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The bill should have no fiscal impact on the state and local units of government. DHS policy manual BEM 255 already mandates child support cooperation as a condition of eligibility.

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