

SENATE BILL No. 413

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 12-14.

Synopsis: Removal of asset limits for TANF and SNAP eligibility. Prohibits the county office of the division of family resources from considering the value of any assets when determining an individual's eligibility for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program. Requires the division of family resources to: (1) implement within the federal Supplemental Nutritional Assistance program (SNAP) the expanded eligibility category that does not consider an individual's value of assets in determining SNAP eligibility; and (2) notify the United States Department of Agriculture of the implementation of the expanded categorical eligibility.

Effective: July 1, 2014.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 12-14-2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 1. (a) After the
3 investigation under IC 12-14-1-6, the county office shall decide the
4 following:
5 (1) Whether the child is eligible for assistance under this article.
6 (2) The amount of assistance.
7 (3) The date assistance begins.
8 (b) The county office may not consider
9 ~~(1) money in an individual development account under IC 4-4-28~~
10 ~~that belongs to the child or a member of the child's family;~~
11 ~~(2) five thousand dollars (\$5,000) of equity value (as defined in~~
12 ~~470 IAC 10.1-3-1) in one (1) motor vehicle that belongs to a~~
13 ~~member of the child's family; or~~
14 ~~(3) a Holocaust victim's settlement payment received by the child~~
15 ~~or a member of the child's family;~~
16 **the value of any assets held by the child or the child's family when**



1 determining whether the child is eligible for assistance under this
2 article.

3 SECTION 2. IC 12-14-2-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
4 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 3. (a) Except as
5 provided in subsection (b), when determining the amount of assistance,
6 an accounting must be taken of any income ~~or property~~ of the child that
7 the child may receive from another source.

8 (b) The following may not be considered as income ~~or property~~ of
9 the child when determining the amount of assistance for the child:

10 (1) Money in an individual development account established
11 under IC 4-4-28 that belongs to a child or a member of the child's
12 family.

13 (2) A Holocaust victim's settlement payment received by the child
14 or a member of the child's family.

15 SECTION 3. IC 12-14-2-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
16 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 4. The division shall
17 determine the amount of assistance granted for a dependent child
18 considering the following:

19 (1) The ~~resources and~~ necessary expenditures of the family.

20 (2) The conditions existing in each case and in accordance with
21 the rules adopted under IC 4-22-2 by the director of the division.

22 However, a Holocaust victim's settlement payment received by the
23 child or a member of the child's family may not be considered a
24 ~~resource of the family~~ when determining the amount of assistance for
25 the child.

26 SECTION 4. IC 12-14-30-3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
27 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
28 1, 2014]: **Sec. 3. (a) The division shall notify the United States
29 Department of Agriculture and take any other action necessary for
30 Indiana to:**

31 **(1) elect to participate in; and**

32 **(2) implement;**

33 **the expanded categorical eligibility within SNAP. In implementing**
34 **the SNAP expanded categorical eligibility, the division may not**
35 **consider the value of any assets in determining an individual's**
36 **eligibility for SNAP.**

37 **(b) The division may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 necessary to**
38 **implement this section.**

