

BY: Appropriations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1035

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with the first “certain” in line 4 down through “date” in line 8, and substitute “Job Skills Enhancement Pilot Program”; and in line 26, after “projects;” insert “repealing a certain cost-neutrality provision; providing for the funding of a certain program; providing that certain funds may not revert to a certain account; requiring a certain service redesign effort.”.

On page 2, in line 4, strike “and 53B”; and after line 25, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 490 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1995

Section 2”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, in line 10, after “YEAR” insert a comma; in line 12, after “RECIPIENTS” insert a comma; in line 13, after “APPROPRIATED” insert a comma; in line 26, strike “SAVINGS:” and substitute “SAVINGS SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO LOCAL DEPARTMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SAVINGS ACHIEVED BY EACH LOCAL DEPARTMENT AND MAY BE USED FOR CHILD CARE, WORK ACTIVITIES, WELFARE AVOIDANCE, DRUG TREATMENT FOR TARGETED RECIPIENTS, EMERGENCY FUNDS FOR APPLICANTS AND RECIPIENTS, OR ANY OTHER PURPOSES CONSISTENT WITH THE GOALS OF THE FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM; AND”; and strike in their entirety lines 27 through 31, inclusive.

On page 5, in line 3, strike “PARAGRAPH (1)(II)1 OF”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

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On pages 6 and 7, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 22 on page 6 through line 4 on page 7, inclusive.

On page 7, in line 5, after “SECRETARY” insert “, IN COOPERATION WITH THE DIRECTORS OF LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES,”; in the same line, after “ENHANCEMENT” insert “PILOT”; in line 6, after “PROGRAM” insert “IN AT LEAST THREE COUNTIES, ONE OF WHICH SHALL BE LOCATED IN WESTERN MARYLAND, SOUTHERN MARYLAND, OR THE EASTERN SHORE,”; in line 19, after “THE” insert “LOCAL”; and in line 33, after “THE” insert “LOCAL”.

On page 8, in line 1, before “THE” insert “AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SECRETARY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR,”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 12, after line 28, insert:

“Chapter 490 of the Acts of 1995”

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that [the Child Support Reinvestment Fund should be a cost-neutral program and that any State monies invested in the Fund should be offset by an increase in AFDC child support collections retained by the State] ANY REINVESTMENT FUND EXPENDITURES GENERATE AN INCREASE IN TOTAL CHILD SUPPORT COLLECTIONS EQUIVALENT TO TWICE THE AMOUNT OF INCENTIVE DOLLARS EXPENDED. The Department of Human Resources shall include in its annual budget submission information on the amount of federal dollars realized as a result of the fund.”.

AMENDMENT NO 5.

On page 14, strike in their entirety lines 23 through 35, inclusive, and substitute:

“SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Governor shall provide 30% of the welfare-to-work grant funds from the maximum of the 15% allowed under the federal Balanced Budget Act of 1997, to fund the pilot program established under Article 88A, § 53A of the Code. The amount of the funds shall be sufficient to provide up-grade training, as required by the pilot program,”

to 350 newly employed current and former FIP recipients at a cost not to exceed \$5,000 per recipient. If the Governor determines that using welfare-to-work grant funds for the pilot program is not appropriate, the Governor shall notify the Joint Committee on Welfare Reform, in writing, as to the reasons.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 15, in line 5, after the period insert “If the Governor finds that an insufficient number of regional projects are meritorious, the Governor shall notify the Joint Committee on Welfare Reform.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 15, after line 5, insert:

“SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding § 7-310(f)(1) of the State Finance and Procurement Article, the unspent balance of funds appropriated to the Dedicated Purpose Account for the Family Investment Program may not revert to the Revenue Stabilization Account even if those funds are unspent 4 years after the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation was made.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding § 7-310(f)(1) of the State Finance and Procurement Article, the unspent balance of funds appropriated to the Dedicated Purpose Account for the Purchase of Child Care Program may not revert to the Revenue Stabilization Account even if those funds are unspent 4 years after the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation was made.

SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) The Department of Human Resources, in consultation with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, the Department of Business and Economic Development, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, the State Department of Education, and the Maryland Higher Education Commission, shall redesign the Family Investment Program service delivery system to improve customer service, leverage available resources, and avoid duplication of effort;

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(b) The redesign effort shall include:

(1) defining the core service activities of the service delivery system;

(2) examining public or private organizations through out the country that perform these core activities in an exemplary manner;

(3) determining supplemental services;

(4) analyzing the opportunities for unified action and organizational boundary change among the State agencies;

(5) designing a new organizational and programmatic structure to most effectively deliver the identified services; and

(6) developing a mechanism for evaluating the effectiveness of the new system;

(c) The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, the Department of Business and Economic Development, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, the State Department of Education, and the Maryland Higher Education Commission shall:

(1) work with the Department of Human Resources to design the new system from the ground up;

(2) contribute organizational resources necessary to build the system; and

(3) assist the Department of Human Resources in implementing and evaluating the new system;

(d) The Department of Human Resources shall implement the service delivery system redesign as a pilot project in one jurisdiction;

(e) Funding, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 annually, from the savings provided for under Article 88A, § 52(e)(1)(iii) of the Code, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, shall be used to design, develop, implement, and evaluate the service delivery system redesign required by this

section; and

(f) The Department of Human Resources shall present a preliminary report on the service delivery system redesign to the Joint Committee on Welfare Reform and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, on or before May 31, 1999 and shall present a final report on or before January 1, 2000.

SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 8 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of May 31, 2000, with no further action required by the General Assembly, Section 8 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”;

in line 6, strike “6.” and substitute “10.”; in line 11, strike “7.” and substitute “11.”; and in line 12, strike “6” and substitute “10”.