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By: Senators Mitchell, Exum, and Conway
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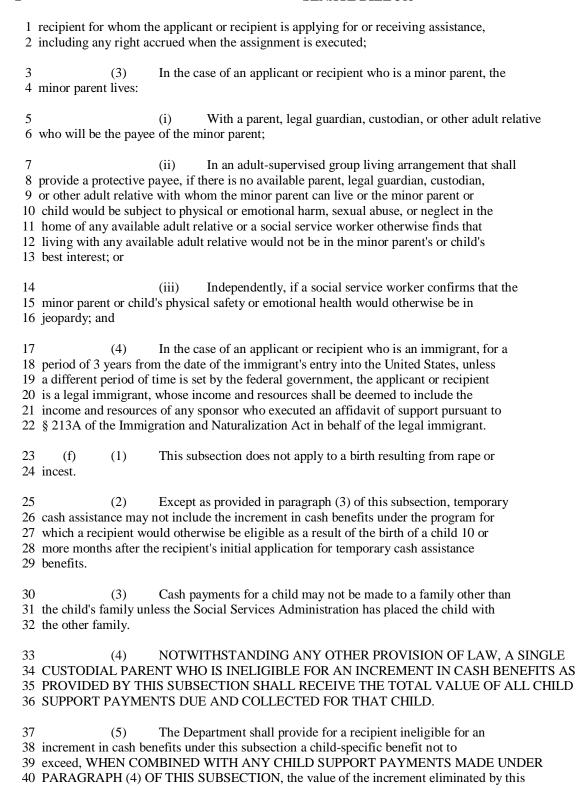
2 Temporary Cash Assistance - Right to Child Support

- 3 FOR the purpose of providing that child support payments be excluded from the right,
- 4 title, and interest that temporary cash assistance recipients must assign to the
- 5 State; requiring that recipients who are ineligible for an increment in cash
- 6 assistance receive the total value of all child support payments due and
- 7 collected; requiring the Department of Human Resources to consider child
- 8 support payments in determining any child-specific benefits to assign to
- 9 recipients ineligible for a cash assistance increment; and generally relating to
- the right of certain recipients of temporary cash assistance to receive and retain
- 11 child support payments.
- 12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 13 Article 88A Department of Human Resources
- 14 Section 50(b) and (f)
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)
- 17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 18 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 Article 88A - Department of Human Resources

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- 21 (b) A local department shall provide temporary cash assistance only if:
- 22 (1) The recipient meets the conditions for participation in the FIP set
- 23 forth in § 48 of this subtitle;
- 24 (2) [The] EXCEPT FOR CHILD SUPPORT ACCRUED ON BEHALF OF THE
- 25 CHILD FOR WHOM A CHILD-SPECIFIC BENEFIT IS SOUGHT, THE applicant or
- 26 recipient assigns to the State all right, title, and interest in support from any other
- 27 person that the applicant or recipient has on behalf of any intended or potential



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- 1 subsection for the purchase of goods specified by the Department as suitable for the 2 care of a minor.
- 3 [(5)] (6) A local department may pay an administrative fee to a third 4 party payee to cover the administrative costs of the third party payee for managing
- 5 the child-specific benefit.
- 6 [(6)] (7) The Secretary shall adopt regulations specifying the selection 7 criteria for third party payees under this subsection.
- 8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 9 October 1, 2000.