

HB 2347 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Human Services and Housing

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Meeting Dates: 3/7

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Extends sunset to 2019 authorizing Department of Human Services to offer resources to individual eligible for temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) including employability assessment and orientation process for job opportunity and basic skills program; require single parent of child under two years of age to participate in job opportunity and basic skills program; to deny request of recipient in temporary assistance for needy families program to enroll in educational institution as allowable work activity if recipient was not enrolled in educational institution; to disqualify recipient from receiving TANF program benefits for 120 days if recipient separates from employment without good cause; and to establish for TANF program income limit for non-parent caretaker relative of dependent child equal to 185 percent of federal poverty guidelines. Extends sunset date to 2019 allowing increase in cash assistance paid to families enrolled in State Family Pre-Supplemental Security Insurance/Social Security Disability Insurance program. Extends sunset to 2019 increase in duration of period that family receiving temporary assistance to needy families may continue to receive assistance upon becoming ineligible due to employment or increased hours of work. Declares emergency, effective on passage

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND: