

Chapter 737

(House Bill 1469)

AN ACT concerning

Public Assistance – Family Investment Program – Child Support Pass Through

FOR the purpose of requiring that a certain amount of child support received in a month pass through to a family seeking assistance under the Family Investment Program and prohibiting the consideration of that child support in computing the amount of assistance received; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the Family Investment Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 5–310(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Human Services

5–310.

(a) (1) For applicants to the FIP, the amount of assistance shall be computed by counting no more than 4 weeks of earned income in any month and disregarding 20% of that earned income.

(2) **THE FIRST \$100 OF CHILD SUPPORT COLLECTED IN A MONTH FOR ONE CHILD AND THE FIRST \$200 OF CHILD SUPPORT COLLECTED IN A MONTH FOR TWO OR MORE CHILDREN SHALL PASS THROUGH TO THE FAMILY AND SHALL BE DISREGARDED IN COMPUTING THE AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE.**

(3) For eligible recipients who obtain unsubsidized employment, the amount of assistance shall be computed by counting no more than 4 weeks of earned income in any month and disregarding 40% of that earned income.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~October 1, 2017~~ July 1, 2019.

Approved by the Governor, May 25, 2017.