



Legislation Text

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HEARING - Consider and Adopt General Relief Regulation Changes, as follows: (EST. TIME: 30 MIN.)

a) Adopt regulation 90-301.11 (a) through (d) (page 15-16) that prohibits an employable recipient from receiving general relief assistance for more than three months in a twelve month period.

Time Limits for Aid to Employable Recipients

i. Benefits to all employable recipients, including employable persons (adults) in married and family cases, shall be granted for no more than three month cycles of assistance in a twelve month period. These provisions shall apply only to those individuals who have been offered the opportunity to attend job skills or job training sessions.

ii. Twelve Month Period (TMP)

- (1) The effective date of this policy is October 1, 2004;
- (2) For new applicants the twelve month period begins the first month cash aid is received.

iii. The Three Month Cycle Period of Eligibility

- (1) The three month cycle period of eligibility includes only months when the recipient is aided as employable. Months in which the recipient is aided as unemployable are not to be included in the three month limit.
- (2) The three month period does not have to be consecutive. Recipients are entitled to any three months in a twelve month period. General Relief assistance received in any locality would be applied to the three month time limit.

iv. Sanctions - Employable applicants/recipients are subject to employable and/non-compliance sanctions.

(1) Sanction periods are to be applied concurrent with periods of ineligibility. If a sanction period lasts longer than the period of ineligibility, the recipient will not be eligible until the sanction period has expired. A new twelve month period will begin when the recipient reapplies and is found otherwise eligible.

b) Adopt regulation 90-500.2 (page 40) establishing that if the single applicant/recipient shares housing with unrelated persons or with persons who are not legally responsible for the applicant/recipient, maximum aid payment levels are reduced by the following percentages:

Shares housing with one - 15%; Shares housing with two - 20%; Shares housing with three or more - 25%; Shelters and licensed board and care facilities are exempt.

c) Adopt regulation 90-501.2 (page 42) that states the portion of the payment for shelter/housing costs shall be made only by vendor payment.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

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