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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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STAIRS, E. Z. TAYLOR, TOMLINSON, TULLI, VROON, WOGAN AND  
M. N. WRIGHT, MARCH 30, 1992

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, MARCH 30, 1992

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled "An  
2 act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public  
3 welfare laws of the Commonwealth," further providing for aid  
4 to families with dependent children.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 432.12 of the act of June 13, 1967  
8 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, is amended by  
9 adding subsections to read:

10 Section 432.12. Determination of Need.--\* \* \*

11 (d) In determining the amount of assistance payments to a  
12 recipient family for aid to families with dependent children,  
13 the department shall revise the schedule of benefits to be paid  
14 to the recipient family by eliminating the increment in benefits

1 under the program for which that family would otherwise be  
2 eligible as a result of the birth of a child during the period  
3 in which the family is eligible for aid to families with  
4 dependent children benefits, or during a temporary period in  
5 which the family or adult recipient is ineligible for aid to  
6 families with dependent children benefits pursuant to a penalty  
7 imposed by the department for failure to comply with benefit  
8 eligibility requirements, subsequent to which the family or  
9 adult recipient is again eligible for benefits. The department  
10 shall provide instead that a recipient family in which the adult  
11 recipient parents an additional child during the adult  
12 recipient's period of eligibility for aid to families with  
13 dependent children benefits, or during a temporary penalty  
14 period of ineligibility for benefits, may receive additional  
15 benefits only pursuant to subsection (e), except in the case of  
16 a general increase in the amount of aid to families with  
17 dependent children benefits which is provided to all program  
18 recipients.

19 (e) In the case of a family that receives aid to families  
20 with dependent children in which the adult recipient parents an  
21 additional child during the period in which the family is  
22 eligible for aid to families with dependent children benefits,  
23 or during a temporary penalty period of ineligibility for  
24 benefits subsequent to which the family of adult recipient again  
25 becomes eligible for benefits, the department, subject to  
26 Federal approval, shall, in addition to eliminating the increase  
27 in the benefit as provided in subsection (d), provide that in  
28 computing the amount of financial assistance which is available  
29 to the family that receives aid to families with dependent  
30 children, the monthly earned income disregard for each employed

1 person in the family shall increase by an amount equal to that  
2 which the family would have otherwise received by parenting an  
3 additional child, adjusted for family size.

4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 90 days.