
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 608 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY WOZNIAK, FONTANA, ALLOWAY, M. WHITE AND BOSCOLA,
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REFERRED TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, MARCH 13, 2009

AN ACT

1 Requiring the provision of a child's birth certificate, which
2 shows the names and Social Security numbers of the child's
3 father and mother, to receive benefits.

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

6 Section 1. Short title.

7 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Benefits
8 Information Requirement Act.

9 Section 2. Definitions.

10 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
11 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
12 context clearly indicates otherwise:

13 "Cash benefits." Cash benefits offered under the act of June
14 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, or
15 any other act.

16 "Child." Any resident of this Commonwealth under 18 years of
17 age.

18 "State program." A State program offering cash benefits or

1 medical assistance.

2 "Medical assistance." The State program of medical
3 assistance established under the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31,
4 No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code.

5 Section 3. Information required.

6 No child or mother of a child, when applying for or receiving
7 benefits concerning the child, shall be eligible for benefits
8 from a State program unless the mother of the child provides to
9 the department administering the benefits a copy of the child's
10 birth certificate that shows the names and Social Security
11 numbers of the child's father and mother.

12 Section 10. Effective date.

13 This act shall take effect in 60 days.