

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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NEILSON AND COX, MARCH 14, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, MARCH 14, 2019

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," in public assistance,
4 further providing for verification of eligibility.

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

7 Section 1. Section 441.9 of the act of June 13, 1967
8 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, is amended by
9 adding subsections to read:

10 Section 441.9. Verification of Eligibility.--* * *

11 (d) All applicants and recipients shall, as a condition of
12 eligibility, cooperate with the department in securing medical
13 support from the noncustodial parent of any child for whom
14 medical assistance is sought or provided.

15 (e) The requirements of subsection (d) shall not apply if:

16 (1) The custodial parent is a victim of domestic violence
17 perpetrated by the noncustodial parent. Domestic violence shall
18 be verified using State standards developed under section 402(a)
19 (7) of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity

1 Reconciliation Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-193, 42 U.S.C. §
2 602(a)(7)).

3 (2) The application of subsection (d) endangers the well-
4 being of a child by interrupting the child's continuity of
5 medical care.

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.