

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2179 Session of 2020

INTRODUCED BY WARNER, DUNBAR, REESE, BERNSTINE, WALSH, MILLARD,
 NELSON, TOOHIL, DeLUCA, ZIMMERMAN, MOUL, SAYLOR, KEEFER,
 JOZWIAK AND DOWLING, JANUARY 2, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, JANUARY 2, 2020

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 responsibilities and obligations of
 5 department, applicants and recipients.

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

8 Section 1. Section 405.3 of the act of June 13, 1967
 9 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, is amended by
 10 adding a subsection to read:

11 Section 405.3. Responsibilities and Obligations of
 12 Department, Applicants and Recipients.--* * *

13 (b) Subject to Federal approval, an authorized
 14 representative designated by a person who is required to sign an
 15 application for assistance shall sign an agreement with the
 16 department indicating that the person understands and agrees to
 17 be bound by the terms, conditions and responsibilities of the
 18 electronic benefits transfer card, including the proper use of
 19 the electronic benefits transfer card for the benefit of the

1 person who designated the authorized representative. If the
2 person fails to comply with the terms, conditions and
3 responsibilities of the electronic benefits transfer card, the
4 person designated as an authorized representative may not be
5 designated as an authorized representative for any assistance
6 program administered by the department.

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