

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, DOWLING, WHEELAND AND GILLEN, JANUARY 2, 2020

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MAY 18, 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 ON THE APPLICATION by a person who is <--
15 required to sign an application for assistance shall sign an
16 agreement with the department indicating that the person
17 understands and agrees to be bound by the terms, conditions and
18 responsibilities of the electronic benefits transfer card,

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

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