

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 1052

PARTIAL VETO

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Brief Description: Revising provisions for public assistance.

By House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Leonard, Winsley, Riley and Basich; by request of Department of Social and Health Services).

House Committee on Human Services
House Committee on Appropriations
Senate Committee on Children & Family Services

Background: The Family Support Act of 1989, also known as the Jobs Opportunities and Basic Skills Program (JOBS), requires every state which participates in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program (AFDC) to provide comprehensive employment and training programs for AFDC applicants and recipients. States which have statutory authority to provide employment and training programs for AFDC recipients must comply with the Family Support Act of 1989. In 1990 the Legislature authorized the Department of Social and Health Services to provide general assistance benefits to women who relinquish their babies for adoption. The benefits continue for six weeks after the birth of the child.

Applicants for public assistance who own real property over the amount allowed for eligibility purposes may receive assistance if they make a good faith effort to dispose of the property.

Summary: Existing statutes relating to the Community Work and Training Program are repealed and replaced with language authorizing the Department of Social and Health Services to operate a Job Opportunities and Basic Skills Training Program consistent with the Family Support Act of 1989. General assistance benefits to women who relinquish their babies for adoption are extended from six weeks following birth to the end of the month in which the period of six weeks falls. Applicants for public assistance who own real property over the amount allowed for eligibility purposes may receive assistance for nine months if the applicant complies with procedures for disposing of real property.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	98	0	
Senate	47	0	(Senate amended)
House	94	0	(House concurred)

Effective: July 28, 1991

Partial Veto Summary: The null and void clause is removed from the legislation.