

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2009 SESSION

CHAPTER 547

An Act to amend and reenact § 63.2-617 of the Code of Virginia, relating to diversionary cash assistance.

[S 1045]

Approved March 27, 2009

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 63.2-617 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 63.2-617. Diversionary cash assistance.

The Board shall adopt regulations to enable TANF - eligible applicants meeting certain criteria to receive at one time the maximum TANF cash assistance that the applicant would otherwise receive for a period up to 120 days. An individual may receive diversionary TANF cash assistance only one time in a ~~sixty-month~~ 12-month period and, in so doing, waives his eligibility for TANF for a period of up to 160 days. Diversionary assistance shall be used to divert the family from receiving ongoing TANF cash assistance by providing assistance for one-time emergencies.

2. That the Department of Social Services shall report to the chairmen of the Senate Finance and House Appropriations committees no later than October 1, 2012, on the savings achieved through use of diversionary assistance in Fiscal Year 2010 through Fiscal Year 2012.