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HOUSE BILL NO. 1714

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 63.2-617 of the Code of Virginia, relating to diversionary cash assistance.*

Patron—Tyler

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

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.

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