

093174820

SENATE BILL NO. 1045

Senate Amendments in [] — February 5, 2009

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

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Senator Miller, Y.B.

Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services

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.]**

ENGROSSED

SB1045E