

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1997 SESSION

CHAPTER 621

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 63.1-86.1, relating to public assistance to families.

[H 2678]

Approved March 20, 1997

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 63.1-86.1 as follows:

§ 63.1-86.1. Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF); purpose; administration.

There is hereby created the Virginia Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Program, hereinafter referred to as TANF. All references in the Code of Virginia to "Aid to Dependent Children," "Aid to Families with Dependent Children" and "AFDC" shall mean "Temporary Assistance to Needy Families" and "TANF."

The TANF Program shall be administered by the Department of Social Services in compliance with Titles IV-A and IV-F of the United States Social Security Act and related federal regulations (excluding 45 C.F.R. Parts 255 and 256), as such laws and regulations were in effect at the time of the enactment of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, P.L. 104-193 on August 22, 1996, to the extent that such laws and regulations do not conflict with (i) those sections of P.L. 104-193 which are mandatory; (ii) waivers granted by the United States Department of Health and Human Services to Virginia in effect as of January 1, 1997; (iii) state laws and regulations; (iv) the State Plan For Title IV-A of the Social Security Act: Financial Assistance Aid to Families with Dependent Children in effect as of September 30, 1996; or (v) the Title IV-F of the Social Security Act Job Opportunities and Basic Skills Training Program State Plan in effect as of September 30, 1996. Further, in any instance where a state law or regulation enacted pursuant to a waiver conflicts with the terms of P.L. 104-193 or the Title IV-A or IV-F State Plans, such state law or regulation shall control.

2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.