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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OVERPMTS.

House Bill 4309

Sponsor: Rep. David Robertson

Committee: Social Services and Youth

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4309 AS INTRODUCED 2-15-91

The bill would amend the Social Welfare Act to provide for the recovery of overpayments made to recipients of public assistance, including payments made to ineligible people. The Department of Social Services would have to take all necessary steps to recover an overpayment; for overpayments made under federally-assisted programs, the procedures would have to be consistent with federal law and regulations.

If necessary to recover an overpayment from a person who was no longer a public assistance recipient, the department would institute court action. However, the department could waive recovery if the cost of the effort equalled or exceeded the amount of the overpayment. Waiver would not be permitted if the overpayment was due to fraud on the part of the public assistance recipient.

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