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SENATE BILL No. 70

January 24, 2013, Introduced by Senator SCHUITMAKER and referred to the Committee on Families, Seniors and Human Services.

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "The social welfare act,"

by amending section 32 (MCL 400.32), as amended by 1995 PA 223.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 32. (1) Subject to section 14g, a person qualified for

and receiving assistance under this act in any county in this state
who moves or is taken to another county in this state may continue
to receive assistance in the county to which the person has moved
or is taken, and the county family independence agency DEPARTMENT
of the county from which the person has moved shall transfer all
necessary records relating to the person to the county family
independence agency DEPARTMENT of the county to which the person
has moved.

(2) For EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (5) AND (6), FOR THE

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- 1 purposes of the family independence program **ASSISTANCE** and medical
- 2 assistance under this act, a resident of this state is a person who
- 3 is living in this state voluntarily with the intention of making
- 4 his or her home in this state and not for a temporary purpose and
- 5 who is not receiving assistance from another state. For EXCEPT AS
- 6 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (6), FOR THE purposes of medical assistance,
- 7 a resident of this state also includes a person and the dependents
- 8 of a person who, at the time of application, is living in this
- 9 state, is not receiving assistance from another state, and entered
- 10 the state with a job commitment or seeking employment in this
- 11 state. For purposes of determining eligibility to receive
- 12 assistance under this act, excluding recipients of supplemental
- 13 security income under title XVI of the social security act, chapter
- 14 531, 49 Stat. 620, 42 U.S.C. 1381 to 1382, and 1383 to 1383d 42 USC
- 15 1381 TO 1383F or state supplementation under this act, the
- 16 continued absence of a recipient from this state, unless the
- 17 absence is temporary or intent to return is established as provided
- 18 by applicable federal regulations, shall constitute CONSTITUTES
- 19 abandonment by the recipient of residence in this state. Any
- 20 existing rule that has been promulgated under this act that defines
- 21 temporary absence for the purpose of eligibility for family
- 22 independence PROGRAM assistance or medical assistance, or that
- 23 provides for continuation of eligibility if the absence is not
- 24 temporary, is not applicable.
- 25 (3) For purposes of medical assistance eligibility the
- 26 requirements in subsection (2) SUBSECTIONS (2) AND (6) apply except
- 27 as otherwise provided in federal regulations for the administration

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- 1 of the medical assistance program under title XIX of the social
- 2 security act, 42 U.S.C. 1396 to 1396g and 1396i to 1396v USC 1396
- 3 TO 1396W-2.
- 4 (4) The residence of a husband shall not be considered to be
- 5 the residence of the wife if they are living separate and apart. If
- 6 a husband and wife are living separate and apart, each may have a
- 7 separate residence dependent upon proof of the fact and not upon
- 8 legal presumption. This subsection shall not be construed to
- 9 prohibit a person from acquiring or retaining a legal residence.
- 10 (5) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE FAMILY INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM
- 11 ASSISTANCE, A PERSON IS NOT CONSIDERED A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE
- 12 UNLESS HE OR SHE HAS LIVED VOLUNTARILY IN THIS STATE FOR NOT LESS
- 13 THAN 1 YEAR BEFORE THE DATE OF THE APPLICATION FOR BENEFITS.
- 14 RESIDENCY MAY BE DOCUMENTED BY A VALID STATE OF MICHIGAN DRIVER
- 15 LICENSE, A VALID OFFICIAL STATE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION CARD, A
- 16 VALID VOTER REGISTRATION CARD, OR ANOTHER FORM OF PROOF OF
- 17 RESIDENCY DETERMINED ACCEPTABLE BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- 18 (6) FOR THE PURPOSES OF ANY MEDICAL ASSISTANCE OR OTHER HEALTH
- 19 CARE PROGRAM PROVIDING COVERAGE FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN AGE 19 AND
- 20 OLDER, A PERSON IS NOT CONSIDERED A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE UNLESS
- 21 HE OR SHE HAS LIVED VOLUNTARILY IN THIS STATE FOR NOT LESS THAN 1
- 22 YEAR BEFORE THE DATE OF THE APPLICATION FOR BENEFITS. RESIDENCY MAY
- 23 BE DOCUMENTED BY A VALID STATE OF MICHIGAN DRIVER LICENSE, A VALID
- 24 OFFICIAL STATE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION CARD, A VALID VOTER
- 25 REGISTRATION CARD, OR ANOTHER FORM OF PROOF OF RESIDENCY DETERMINED
- 26 ACCEPTABLE BY THE DEPARTMENT.