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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 341

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 31 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO TANF WORK REQUIREMENTS AND MATERNAL HEALTH.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

- 1 Section 1. Amend § 518, Title 31 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and 2 insertions as shown by underline as follows:
- § 518. Failure to comply with job TANF job placement, education, training, work eligibility, parenting or personal 3 responsibility requirements requirements. 4
 - (a) The Department of Health and Social Services may issue and implement rules and regulations establishing sanctions for families receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families who fail to comply with work, education, training, work eligibility, parenting or personal responsibility requirements established by the Department pursuant to § 512(1) of this title. Such sanctions may, among other things, reduce assistance to such a family and may include, for a family who has failed to comply with job placement, education, training or work eligibility requirements under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program. The Department shall afford recipients due process as provided under applicable rules and regulations prior to the implementation of any such sanctions.
- 12 (b) The following individuals receiving TANF are exempt from work, education, and training requirements:
- 13 (1) A recipient who is pregnant.
- 14 (2) A parent or other relative who has primary responsibility for personally providing care to a child six
- 15 months of age or younger.

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SYNOPSIS

This Act requires that the state exempt pregnant persons and the parent or other relative primary caregiver of a child six months of age or younger from TANF work requirements.

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