

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services.

HB22-1259 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 12, before line 17 insert:

2           "(II) (A) BEGINNING STATE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24, AND EACH  
3 STATE FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL EXPEND  
4 MONEY IN EQUAL AMOUNTS FROM THE STATE GENERAL FUND, THE  
5 UNCLAIMED PROPERTY TRUST FUND CREATED IN SECTION 38-13-801, AND  
6 AVAILABLE TANF FUNDS, WHICH MUST INCLUDE FUNDS IN THE COLORADO  
7 LONG-TERM WORKS RESERVE AND THE TOTAL STATEWIDE COUNTY TANF  
8 RESERVE TO COVER ANY INCREASE IN BASIC CASH ASSISTANCE ABOVE THE  
9 AMOUNT OF BASIC CASH ASSISTANCE IN STATE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22. THE  
10 STATE DEPARTMENT AND COUNTIES SHALL IDENTIFY AN EQUITABLE  
11 PORTION OF THE COLORADO LONG-TERM WORKS RESERVE AND TOTAL  
12 STATEWIDE COUNTY TANF RESERVE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS  
13 SUBSECTION (1)(b)(II)(A).

14           (B) IF THE TOTAL STATEWIDE COUNTY TANF RESERVE FALLS  
15 BELOW FIFTEEN PERCENT OF THE COUNTY BLOCK GRANT AMOUNT, THE  
16 GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE MONEY FROM THE COLORADO  
17 LONG-TERM WORKS RESERVE TO THE COUNTY BLOCK GRANT UNTIL THE  
18 BALANCE OF THE TOTAL STATEWIDE COUNTY TANF RESERVE EXCEEDS  
19 FIFTEEN PERCENT OF THE COUNTY BLOCK GRANT AMOUNT OR UNTIL THE  
20 COLORADO LONG-TERM WORKS RESERVE FALLS BELOW TWENTY-FIVE  
21 PERCENT OF THE STATE BLOCK GRANT AMOUNT.

22           (C) IF THE COLORADO LONG-TERM WORKS RESERVE FALLS BELOW  
23 TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE STATE BLOCK GRANT AMOUNT AND THE  
24 TOTAL STATEWIDE COUNTY TANF RESERVE EXCEEDS FIFTEEN PERCENT OF  
25 THE COUNTY BLOCK GRANT AMOUNT, THE COUNTIES SHALL FUND THE  
26 TANF PROGRAM FROM AVAILABLE TANF FUNDS UNTIL THE TOTAL  
27 STATEWIDE COUNTY TANF RESERVE FALLS BELOW FIFTEEN PERCENT OF  
28 THE COUNTY BLOCK GRANT AMOUNT. COUNTIES ARE ONLY REQUIRED TO  
29 SPEND AVAILABLE TANF MONEY, INCLUDING COUNTY TANF RESERVES  
30 AND THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT, FOR THE COLORADO WORKS  
31 PROGRAM."

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