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HOUSE BILL 473

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

INTRODUCED BY

EARLENE ROBERTS

AN ACT

RELATING TO WORK INCENTIVE DEDUCTIONS AND EARNED INCOME
DISREGARDS, INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS, MICRO BUSINESS
LOANS AND OTHER ENTREPRENEURSHIP OPPORTUNITIES; DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Public Assistance Act is
enacted to read:

" [NEW MATERIAL] WORK INCENTIVE DEDUCTIONS AND EARNED
INCOME DISREGARDS. --The work incentive and earned income
disregards program shall include an outreach campaign to
encourage recipients to seek gainful employment or self-
employment and to promote the state's policy of requiring work
for those in need of public assistance for any person whose
benefit group includes at least one dependent child. The

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1 human services department shall deduct and disregard the
2 following earned income and expenses from the person's
3 countable income in determining need:

4 A. an amount, to be called the "work incentive
5 deduction", equal to the first thirty dollars (\$30.00) of the
6 total of such earned income not otherwise disregarded plus
7 one-third of the remainder thereof;

8 B. the work incentive deduction shall be allowed
9 in each month that the benefit group has earned income that
10 does not exceed one hundred percent of the federal poverty
11 level;

12 C. the work incentive deduction shall be applied
13 to the gross monthly income after the work-related expense
14 deduction and before the child-care deduction are subtracted;

15 D. the work-related expense deduction shall be
16 ninety dollars (\$90.00) per month; and

17 E. the child-care deduction shall not exceed
18 normal and customary community daycare costs and will be
19 determined, periodically, not to exceed three years, by the
20 children, youth and families department.

21 Section 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
22 peace, health and safety that this act take effect
23 immediately.

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8 **February 9, 1998**
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11 **Mr. Speaker:**
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13 **Your RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE, to**
14 **whom has been referred**
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19 **has had it under consideration and finds same to be GERMANE**
20 **in accordance with constitutional provisions.**
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22 **Respectfully submitted,**
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R. David Pederson, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 8 For 0 Against

Yes: 8

Excused: Nicely, Olguin, Rodella, Ryan, Sanchez, Taylor, J.G,
Williams, S.M

Absent: None

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8 Mr. Speaker:

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10 Your LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, to
11 whom has been referred

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15 has had it under consideration and reports same with
16 recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the
17 CONSUMER AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

18 Respectfully submitted,

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23 Sheryl M. Williams, Chairman
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10 The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

11 Yes: 6

12 Excused: Foy, Macko

13 Absent: None

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10 whom has been referred

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14 recommendation that it DO PASS.

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21 Gary K. King, Chairman
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Yes: 6

Excused: Heaton, Rios, Sandel, Trujillo Knauer

Absent: None

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