

Amendments to House Bill No. 2
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Requested by Representative Rosalie (Rosie) Buzzas

For the Free Conference Committee

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1. Page B-9, line 15 through 17.

Following: "expended for"

Strike: "the following purposes: (1) abstinence education;"

Insert: "abstinence education."

Renumber: subsequent subsections

2. Page B-9.

Following: line 18

Insert: "TANF funds and general fund money supporting TANF maintenance of effort may be expended for the following purposes only if beginning on October 1, 2005, the cash assistance benefit level is at or above 33% of the 2005 federal poverty level index and funding for the work readiness component (WoRC) program is maintained at or above fiscal year 2005 levels:"

Explanation - This amendment modifies language that restricts the purposes for which federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds and general fund supporting TANF maintenance of effort may be expended. The language in this amendment specifies that funds may be expended for achievement or incentive awards, accelerated employment services or diversionary projects, or after school programs if beginning October 1, 2005, the cash assistance benefit level is at or above 33 percent of the 2005 federal poverty level index and funding for WoRC program contracts is maintained at the FY05 level. The amendment maintains the restriction that the funds may not be used to support abstinence education.

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