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Assistance shall be given under [the] THIS subtitle [to any dependent child who] ON CONDITION THAT THE APPLICANT FOR OR RECIPIENT OF THE ASSISTANCE:

[(a) Is residing] (1) RESIDES in this State at the time of application for such assistance[.];

(2) ASSIGNS TO THE STATE ANY RIGHT, TITLE, AND INTEREST IN SUPPORT FROM ANY OTHER PERSON THAT THE APPLICANT OR RECIPIENT HAS IN HIS OWN BEHALF OR IN BEHALF OF ANY OTHER FAMILY MEMBER FOR WHOM HE IS APPLYING FOR OR RECEIVING ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING ANY RIGHT ACCRUED WHEN THE ASSIGNMENT IS EXECUTED;

[(b) Is living] (3) LIVES in a family home in which there is no reasonable indication of neglect, as that term is defined in the law applicable to juvenile causes in the county or Baltimore City where the child resides, [and meeting] WHICH MEETS the standards of care and health [,] fixed by the laws of this State and any rules and regulations adopted pursuant [thereto] TO THEM, and in which [home], IF POSSIBLE, the child's particular religious faith [should be] IS fostered and protected[, if possible. Provided, however,] EXCEPT that [If the child is] IF AN otherwise eligible [but] CHILD is living in a home in which there is indicated neglect or which does not appear to meet the [said] standards of care and health, assistance shall be given or continued[.] AS FOLLOWS:

[(1)] (I) During a period of 90 days in which the local unit is investigating the home, helping the child's parents or custodian to eliminate the indicated neglect or substandard conditions of care and health, or assisting the [said] parent or custodian to make plans for the child;

[(2)] (II) Pending investigation and determination of neglect by the juvenile court on petition filed by the local unit or others;

[(3)] (III) When, after determining that neglect exists, the court shall permit the child to remain in the home under supervision of a probation officer or the local unit pending placement elsewhere or while intensive efforts are being made to ameliorate the conditions resulting in the child's neglect; and

[(4)] (IV) During such time as the local unit, after the expiration of the ninety-day period, shall inadvertently fail to file the petition alleging neglect[,] or the court, for any reason, shall fail to dispose of the petition[.]; AND