

(2) THE AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE GIVEN UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IS EQUAL TO THE LESSER OF:

(I) 85% OF THE DEFICIT BETWEEN THE FULL AFDC STANDARD OF NEED SPECIFIED IN THE REGULATIONS REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION AND A RECIPIENT'S COUNTABLE INCOME; OR

(II) THE MAXIMUM PAYMENT SPECIFIED IN THE REGULATIONS REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION MADE TO A FAMILY OF THE SAME SIZE WITHOUT ANY INCOME.

~~(J)~~ (L) (1) THE SECRETARY SHALL REVISE THE RULES OF ELIGIBILITY TO PERMIT A CHILD WHO IS LIVING WITH THE CHILD'S NATURAL PARENT AND A STEPPARENT IN A HOUSEHOLD IN WHICH THE HOUSEHOLD INCOME EXCEEDS THE STATE ELIGIBILITY STANDARD FOR ASSISTANCE TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE IF:

(I) THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 48 OF THIS SUBTITLE ARE MET;

(II) BASED UPON THE INCOME OF THE NATURAL PARENT AND THAT PARENT'S CHILDREN, THE NATURAL PARENT AND THE CHILD WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE; AND

(III) THE TOTAL INCOME OF THE STEPPARENT DOES NOT EXCEED 150 PERCENT OF THE OFFICIAL POVERTY LEVEL, ADJUSTED FOR FAMILY SIZE, ESTABLISHED UNDER THE FEDERAL COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT ACT.

(2) THE AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE TO BE PAID UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE:

(I) COMPUTED WITHOUT REGARD TO THE INCOME OF THE STEPPARENT IF THE TOTAL INCOME OF THE STEPPARENT DOES NOT EXCEED 100 PERCENT OF THE OFFICIAL POVERTY LEVEL, ADJUSTED FOR FAMILY SIZE, ESTABLISHED UNDER THE FEDERAL COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT ACT; AND

(II) REDUCED BY 50 PERCENT OF THE STATE ELIGIBILITY STANDARD FOR THE ASSISTANCE UNIT IF THE TOTAL INCOME OF THE STEPPARENT IS AT LEAST 100 PERCENT, BUT NOT MORE THAN 150 PERCENT, OF THE OFFICIAL POVERTY LEVEL, ADJUSTED FOR FAMILY SIZE, ESTABLISHED UNDER THE FEDERAL COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT.

~~(K)~~ (M) THE SECRETARY SHALL REVISE THE SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM ASSISTANCE TO ALLOW OWNERSHIP OF AN AUTOMOBILE WITH A MAXIMUM EQUITY VALUE OF UP TO \$5,000 WITHOUT IT COUNTING AS AN ASSET FOR PURPOSES OF AFDC AND FOOD STAMP ELIGIBILITY.

~~(L)~~ (N) THE SECRETARY SHALL REVISE THE SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM ASSISTANCE TO:

(1) PERMIT RECIPIENTS AND THEIR CHILDREN TO SAVE UP TO \$5,000;

(2) DISREGARD THE EARNED INCOME OF A DEPENDENT CHILD WHO IS: