

monitor certain federal legislative and regulatory actions and to make certain certifications under certain circumstances; providing for the termination of this Act under certain circumstances; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Family Investment Program.

BY repealing *and reenacting, with amendments,*

Article 88A – Department of Human Resources  
Section 49(d)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1998 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article 88A – Department of Human Resources  
Section 40(d)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1998 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article 88A - Department of Human Resources**

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{(d) (1) For applicants to the Family Investment Program, the amount of assistance shall be computed by counting no more than 4 weeks of earned income in any month and disregarding 20% of that earned income.

(2) For eligible Family Investment Program recipients who obtain unsubsidized employment, the amount of assistance shall be computed by counting no more than 4 weeks of earned income in any month and disregarding ~~26%~~ 35% of that earned income.}

~~(D) THE AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE SHALL BE COMPUTED BY COUNTING NO MORE THAN 4 WEEKS OF EARNED INCOME IN ANY MONTH AND DISREGARDING THE FIRST \$170 OF THE TOTAL OF THAT EARNED INCOME PLUS 60% OF THE REMAINDER OF THAT EARNED INCOME.~~

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That no general funds may be used to fund an increase in the earned income disregard from 26% to 35%, as required by this Act.~~

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the increase in the earned income disregard provided by this Act may not increase State General Fund expenditures or expenditures from the reserve for future welfare costs in the Dedicated Purpose Fund.~~

~~SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to federal law and regulation, the Department of Human Resources shall ensure that, if a Family~~