

Part 14
Home Energy Assistance Target (heat) Program Act

35A-8-1401 Title.

This part is known as the "Home Energy Assistance Target (HEAT) Program Act."

Renumbered and Amended by Chapter 212, 2012 General Session

35A-8-1402 Assistance to low-income persons -- Contracts -- Administration.

- (1)
- (a) The department may assist certain low-income families and individuals in the payment of home energy costs.
 - (b) Assistance given under this part shall be made available to households throughout the state, irrespective of the source of household energy supply.
- (2) The department may contract with one or more public or private agencies to distribute and administer these funds subject to the criteria established by the department.

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35A-8-1403 Eligibility criteria.

- (1) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the department may make rules establishing eligibility criteria for recipients of assistance under this part.
- (2) A recipient of assistance under this part shall demonstrate:
- (a) that the recipient's family, household, or individual income is 150% of the federal poverty level or less;
 - (b) that the recipient is responsible for paying the recipient's home energy costs; and
 - (c) compliance with any rules established by the department under this section.

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35A-8-1404 Guidelines for private contributions -- Assuring equitable distribution.

The department shall coordinate with private contributors to home energy assistance programs, such as REACH and Lend-a-Hand, to help assure equitable statewide distribution of assistance to eligible customers of all vendors of energy services.

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35A-8-1405 Payment method.

Direct payments for home energy costs shall be made jointly to the responsible householder and to the vendor of energy services to whom the family or individual served owes a payment except in certain cases, as established by rule by the department in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, where payments may be made directly to the responsible householder.

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