

Representative David Litvack proposes the following substitute bill:

EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT PROVISIONS

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STATE OF UTAH

Sponsor: David Litvack

This act modifies provisions related to financial assistance programs for needy families with children. The act creates a Family Employment Advisory Committee to study and make recommendations on eligibility for participation in the Family Employment Program. The act provides a repealer and an effective date.

This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

AMENDS:

63-55-235, as last amended by Chapter 46, Laws of Utah 2001

ENACTS:

35A-3-306.5, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **35A-3-306.5** is enacted to read:

35A-3-306.5. Family Employment Advisory Committee.

(1) (a) After July 1, 2002, the executive director shall appoint a Family Employment Program Advisory Committee as a subcommittee of the State Council on Workforce Services.

(b) The subcommittee shall be composed of:

(i) three representatives from the State and Regional Councils on Workforce Services;

(ii) a representative from the Division of Child and Family Services;

(iii) four representatives from the Department of Workforce Services, to include employment counselors;

(iv) a parent from a one-parent family and a parent from a two-parent family who have received or are receiving cash assistance under the Family Employment Program; and



26 (v) four representatives from advocacy groups representing low-income families impacted
 27 by the Family Employment Program.

28 (c) A representative from the Social Research Institute shall serve in an advisory capacity
 29 to the subcommittee.

30 (2) (a) Members may not receive compensation or benefits for their service, but may
 31 receive expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties at the rate established by the
 32 Division of Finance under Section 63A-3-107.

33 (b) Members may decline to receive expenses for their services.

34 (3) The subcommittee shall serve as an advisory committee to the State Council on
 35 Workforce Services.

36 (4) ~~h~~ (a) ~~h~~ The executive director shall convene or reconvene the subcommittee to study and
 36a make
 37 recommendations on modifying the eligibility requirements for participation in the Family
 38 Employment Program by interrupting its lifetime time limits through stop-the-clock procedures
 39 by which the division may not count toward the 36-month time limit in Section 35A-3-306 or the
 40 60-month federal time limit ~~h [a period of at least 24 months] h~~ .

40a ~~h~~ (b) THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE NUMBER OF TIMES THE SUBCOMMITTEE MAY
 40b MEET IS RESTRICTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES NOT EXCEEDING THE
 40c 15% ADMINISTRATIVE COST ALLOWANCE UNDER TANF RULES. ~~h~~

41 (5) (a) No later than November 30, 2002, the subcommittee shall present its findings under
 42 Subsection (4) to the State Council on Workforce Services and the Workforce and Community and
 43 Economic Development Interim Committee for review and recommendations on proposed changes
 44 to the Family Employment Program.

45 (b) ~~h~~ ~~h~~ (i) ~~h~~ ~~h~~ The recommendations shall include a process ~~h~~ AND PLAN ~~h~~ by which the
 45a division could best
 46 implement the stop-the-clock procedures referred to in Subsection (4).

47 ~~h~~ [(ii) The division shall implement the stop-the-clock recommendations no later than July
 48 1, 2003.] ~~h~~

49 Section 2. Section **63-55-235** is amended to read:

50 **63-55-235. Repeal dates, Title 35A.**

51 (1) Title 35A, Utah Workforce Services Code, is repealed July 1, 2005.

52 (2) Section 35A-3-114, the Displaced Homemaker Program, together with the provision
 53 for funding that program contained in Subsection 17-16-21(2)(b), is repealed July 1, 2007.

54 (3) The Family Employment Advisory Committee created in Section 35A-3-306.5, is
 55 repealed July 1, 2003.

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This act takes effect on July 1, 2002.