



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5102**

February Session, 2008

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**AN ACT PROVIDING EQUAL PAYMENTS PER CHILD FOR RELATIVE CAREGIVERS RECEIVING CHILD ONLY BENEFITS UNDER THE TEMPORARY FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) (a) For purposes of this section:

2       (1) "Caretaker relative" means a nonparent of a minor child who is a  
3 blood relative of any degree, an adoptive relative, or a spouse or  
4 former spouse of a blood relative of a child, who is primarily  
5 responsible for the care of the child.

6       (2) "Child" means a needy child under the age of eighteen, or under  
7 the age of nineteen and in full-time attendance in a secondary school  
8 or in the equivalent level of vocational or technical training if, before  
9 he attains age nineteen, such child may reasonably be expected to  
10 complete the program of such secondary school or such training.  
11 "Child" includes a stepbrother, stepsister, half-brother or half-sister of  
12 the child related to the caretaker relative who resides in the same  
13 household with the caretaker relative and for whose care the caretaker  
14 relative is primarily responsible.

15       (b) For the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2008, the payment  
16 standard for a caretaker relative who is the head of the household  
17 receiving temporary family assistance benefits pursuant to section 17b-

18 112 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes under the child only  
19 assistance unit shall be as follows: (1) For region A, four hundred  
20 fifteen dollars per child, and (2) for regions B and C, three hundred  
21 forty-four dollars per child.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |                     |             |
| Section 1   | <i>July 1, 2008</i> | New section |

**KID**      *Joint Favorable C/R*      HS  
**HS**      *Joint Favorable Subst. C/R*      APP