



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 285

LCO No. 901

Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
SEN. KANE, 32nd Dist.

**AN ACT REQUIRING DRUG TESTING OF CASH ASSISTANCE
RECIPIENTS.**

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

- 1 That title 17b of the general statutes be amended to require periodic
- 2 testing of cash assistance recipients age eighteen and older for use of
- 3 illicit drugs. The testing program shall require (1) evaluation by a
- 4 health care provider of the recipient and treatment, if recommended,
- 5 after the first positive drug test, (2) mandatory attendance at a drug
- 6 treatment program after the second positive test, and (3) the
- 7 termination of benefits upon the third positive test or the recipient's
- 8 failure to complete a required treatment program.

Statement of Purpose:

To deter the use of cash assistance for illicit drug use.