

HB 2078 -- Child Care Subsidy Benefits

Sponsor: Oxford

This bill requires the Children's Division within the Department of Social Services to establish rules to become effective July 1, 2013, to modify the income eligibility criteria for individuals receiving a child care subsidy benefit. Full child care subsidy benefits must be paid for an individual with an income of less than 130% of the federal poverty level for the applicable family size. For an individual with income of 130% to 185% of the federal poverty level, the recipient must receive child care subsidy benefits in an amount reduced proportionately based on the income in excess of 130% of the federal poverty level for the applicable family size. An individual with income in excess of 185% of the federal poverty level for the applicable family size will be ineligible for child care subsidy benefits.

These provisions cannot prohibit the imposition of a fee to a child care subsidy benefit recipient based on gross income and family size and based on a child care sliding fee scale established by the division. The sliding fee may be waived for a child with special needs as established by the division.