

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2692

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE TRENT.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 208, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to public assistance programs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 208, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 208.960, to read as follows:

208.960. 1. As used in this section, "real-time eligibility system" means real-time, electronic access to a system that allows verification of all applicable public assistance program eligibility information based on the most recent information available to the department of social services through nonmodeled earned and unearned income, such as commercially available wage data.

2. In order to deter waste, fraud, and a abuse in public assistance programs, the department of social services shall contract with a third-party vendor to develop a real-time eligibility system that allows the department to verify or authenticate income, assets, and identity eligibility of applicants and recipients to prevent fraud, misrepresentation, and inadequate documentation when determining eligibility for public assistance programs. The department shall contract with a third-party consumer reporting agency, as defined by the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 1681a, for the purpose of obtaining real-time employment and income information.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.