

# SB1735



## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

SB1735

Introduced 2/15/2019, by Sen. Omar Aquino

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/1-7

from Ch. 23, par. 1-7

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that for purposes of determining eligibility and the amount of assistance under the Code, the Department of Human Services and local governmental units shall exclude from consideration, for a period of no more than 60 months, any financial assistance, including wages, cash transfers, or gifts, that is provided to a person who is enrolled in a program or research project that is not funded with general revenue funds and that is intended to investigate the impacts of policies or programs designed to reduce poverty, promote social mobility, or increase financial stability for Illinois residents if there is an explicit plan to collect data and evaluate the program or initiative that is developed prior to participants in the study being enrolled in the program and if a research team has been identified to oversee the evaluation. Requires the Department to seek all necessary federal approvals or waivers to implement the provisions of the amendatory Act. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by  
5 changing Section 1-7 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/1-7) (from Ch. 23, par. 1-7)

7 Sec. 1-7. (a) For purposes of determining eligibility for  
8 assistance under this Code, the Illinois Department, County  
9 Departments, and local governmental units shall exclude from  
10 consideration restitution payments, including all income and  
11 resources derived therefrom, made to persons of Japanese or  
12 Aleutian ancestry pursuant to the federal Civil Liberties Act  
13 of 1988 and the Aleutian and Pribilof Island Restitution Act,  
14 P.L. 100-383.

15 (b) For purposes of any program or form of assistance where  
16 a person's income or assets are considered in determining  
17 eligibility or level of assistance, whether under this Code or  
18 another authority, neither the State of Illinois nor any entity  
19 or person administering a program wholly or partially financed  
20 by the State of Illinois or any of its political subdivisions  
21 shall include restitution payments, including all income and  
22 resources derived therefrom, made pursuant to the federal Civil  
23 Liberties Act of 1988 and the Aleutian and Pribilof Island

1 Restitution Act, P.L. 100-383, in the calculation of income or  
2 assets for determining eligibility or level of assistance.

3 (c) For purposes of determining eligibility for or the  
4 amount of assistance under this Code, except for the  
5 determination of eligibility for payments or programs under the  
6 TANF employment, education, and training programs and the Food  
7 Stamp Employment and Training Program, the Illinois  
8 Department, County Departments, and local governmental units  
9 shall exclude from consideration any financial assistance  
10 received under any student aid program administered by an  
11 agency of this State or the federal government, by a person who  
12 is enrolled as a full-time or part-time student of any public  
13 or private university, college, or community college in this  
14 State.

15 (d) For purposes of determining eligibility for or the  
16 amount of assistance under this Code, except for the  
17 determination of eligibility for payments or programs under the  
18 TANF employment, education, and training programs and the SNAP  
19 Employment and Training Program, the Illinois Department,  
20 County Departments, and local governmental units shall exclude  
21 from consideration, for a period of 36 months, any financial  
22 assistance, including wages, that is provided to a person who  
23 is enrolled in a demonstration project that is not funded with  
24 general revenue funds and that is intended as a bridge to  
25 self-sufficiency by offering (i) intensive workforce support  
26 and training and (ii) support services for new and expectant

1 parents that are intended to foster multi-generational healthy  
2 families as described in Section 12-4.51.

3 (e) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code,  
4 and to the maximum extent permitted by federal law, for  
5 purposes of determining eligibility and the amount of  
6 assistance under this Code, the Illinois Department and local  
7 governmental units shall exclude from consideration, for a  
8 period of no more than 60 months, any financial assistance,  
9 including wages, cash transfers, or gifts, that is provided to  
10 a person who is enrolled in a program or research project that  
11 is not funded with general revenue funds and that is intended  
12 to investigate the impacts of policies or programs designed to  
13 reduce poverty, promote social mobility, or increase financial  
14 stability for Illinois residents if there is an explicit plan  
15 to collect data and evaluate the program or initiative that is  
16 developed prior to participants in the study being enrolled in  
17 the program and if a research team has been identified to  
18 oversee the evaluation.

19 (2) The Department shall choose State options and seek all  
20 necessary federal approvals or waivers to implement this  
21 subsection.

22 (Source: P.A. 100-806, eff. 1-1-19.)

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
24 becoming law.