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HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

ENGROSSED NO. **HB1056** - 2/9/00

**This bill has been extensively amended (hoghoused) and may no longer be consistent with the original intention of the sponsors.**

Introduced by: Representatives Kooistra, Cerny, Davis, Fischer-Clemens, Haley, Kazmerzak, Lockner, Lucas, McCoy, McIntyre, Michels, Munson (Donald), Patterson, Volesky, and Wilson and Senators Valandra, Dunn (Rebecca), Moore, and Symens

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to establish a workforce development initiative within the  
2 Department of Social Services.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That chapter 28-7A be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
5 follows:

6 The Department of Social Services shall implement a workforce development initiative  
7 program, whereby family subsistence grants shall be made to persons in full-time postsecondary  
8 educational programs at institutions accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and  
9 Secondary Schools on the same basis as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families payments.  
10 The purpose of the workforce development initiative is to raise the skill and education level of  
11 South Dakota's workforce by assisting families while a parent receives education or training  
12 necessary to qualify for family-sustaining work. The department shall utilize maintenance of  
13 effort funds to support this program. Any person participating in the workforce development  
14 initiative shall receive credit for work participation based on the number of regularly scheduled

1 credit hours taken per week against the required work hours per week.

2 Section 2. That chapter 28-7A be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
3 follows:

4 In order for a postsecondary education program to be an approved work activity in a  
5 participant's personal responsibility agreement, the participant shall provide documentation that:

- 6 (1) Identifies specific goals that can only be met with additional education or training;
- 7 (2) There are suitable employment opportunities that require the specific education or  
8 training in the area in which the participant resides or is willing to reside; and
- 9 (3) The participant can meet the requirements for admission into the program.

10 An approved education program under this section shall require the participant to be enrolled  
11 full-time, defined as a minimum of twelve student credit hours per semester, and complete thirty  
12 or more student credit hours per year. No participant may be approved for more than twenty-  
13 four months of postsecondary education or training.

14 Section 3. That chapter 28-7A be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as  
15 follows:

16 The Department of Social Services may establish or limit the number of participants in the  
17 workforce development initiative so as to meet requirements under the Temporary Assistance  
18 for Needy Families program related to workforce characteristics and composition.

1 **BILL HISTORY**

2 1/14/00 First read in House and referred to State Affairs. H.J. 45

3 1/21/00 Deferred by Chair.

4 1/21/00 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

5 1/28/00 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

6 2/4/00 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

7 2/7/00 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

8 2/7/00 State Affairs Do Pass Amended, Passed, AYES 7, NAYS 6. H.J. 474

9 2/8/00 State Affairs Hog Housed.