

CHAPTER 7
DEPENDENT CHILDREN

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AN ACT to make an additional appropriation to the department of social services for the aid to dependent children program during the first quarter of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1979, and relating to aid to dependent children benefits to expectant mothers and to an increase in the level of aid to dependent children payments.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of social services for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 1979 and ending September 30, 1979, the sum of seven hundred sixty thousand (760,000) dollars, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the aid to dependent children program in addition to the funds appropriated for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 1979 by Acts of the Sixty-eighth General Assembly, House File seven hundred fifty-five (755).

1. It is the intent of the general assembly that the schedule of living costs and the payment for persons on the aid to dependent children program shall be increased for all family sizes by six percent for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 1979 and ending September 30, 1979. The six percent increase in the schedule of living costs and the payment for persons on the aid to dependent children program referred to in Acts of the Sixty-eighth General Assembly, House File seven hundred fifty-five (755), which is intended to take effect on October 1, 1979, is intended to be a continuation of, and not a further increase in addition to, the increase provided by this subsection.

2. It is the intent of the general assembly that assistance shall be granted under chapter two hundred thirty-nine (239) of the Code to an expectant mother in the last trimester of pregnancy if she meets all other eligibility requirements of the aid to dependent children program. The mother and fetus together shall be treated as a one-person family with assistance payable to the expectant mother as an eligible group of one, and a payment of ten (10) dollars per month shall also be made for the fetus. The department of social services shall promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to chapter seventeen A (17A) of the Code to implement this section on October 1, 1979. In promulgating the rules, the department shall draft standards covering benefits for the fetus which are in compliance with applicable federal regulations.

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