

House File 597 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN
RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 166)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act requesting the establishment of an interim study
2 committee relating to the impact of state assistance program
3 income restriction guidelines.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. LEGISLATIVE INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE — STATE
2 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM INCOME RESTRICTIONS.

3 1. The legislative council is requested to establish
4 an interim study committee to evaluate the impact of state
5 assistance program income restriction guidelines. The
6 committee shall specifically evaluate the financial impact
7 of a modest increase in income, coupled with a resulting
8 ineligibility for state assistance programs, commonly referred
9 to as the "cliff effect", on current and former participants in
10 such programs. State assistance programs to be evaluated shall
11 include but not be limited to the state child care assistance
12 and food assistance programs.

13 2. The committee shall meet during the 2019 legislative
14 interim and shall submit a report to the governor and the
15 general assembly by December 21, 2019.

16 EXPLANATION

17 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
18 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

19 This bill requests the legislative council to establish
20 an interim study committee for the 2019 legislative interim.
21 The bill requires the study committee to evaluate the impact
22 of state assistance program income restriction guidelines.
23 The bill requires the committee to specifically evaluate the
24 financial impact of a modest increase in income coupled with a
25 resulting ineligibility for state assistance programs, commonly
26 referred to as the "cliff effect", on current and former
27 participants in state assistance programs including but not
28 limited to state child care assistance and food assistance.

29 The committee is required to submit a report to the governor
30 and the general assembly by December 21, 2019.