#### COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE

D.C. LAW 6-124

"Public Assistance Amendments Act of 1986".

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P. L. 93-198, "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 6-339 on first and second readings, March 25, 1986, and April 15, 1986, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on May 2, 1986, this legislation was assigned Act No. 6-160, published in the May 16, 1986, edition of the D.C. Register, (Vol. 33 page 2940) and transmitted to Congress on May 6, 1986 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602 (c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and therefore, cites this enactment as D.C. Law 6-124, effective June 25, 1986.

DAVID A. CLARKE Chairman of the Council

Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period:

May 6,7,8,9,12,13,14,15,16,19,20,21,22

June 2,3,4,5,6,9,10,11,12,13,16,17,18,19,20,23,24

# D.C. ACT 6 - 160

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# MAY 0 2 1986

To amend the District of Columbia Public Assistance Act of 1982 by giving the Mayor the authority to increase payments to public assistance recipients in nursing homes, community residence facilities, and halfway houses, increasing the monthly payment to recipients in approved training programs, providing a day care special needs allowance, and increasing the AFDC standards of assistance and payment levels.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
That this act may be cited as the "Public Assistance
Amendments Act of 1986".

- Sec. 2. The District of Columbia Public Assistance Act of 1982, effective April 6, 1982 (D.C. Law 4-101; D.C. Code, sec. 3-201.1 et seq.), is amended as follows:
- (a) Section 549 (D.C. Code, sec. 3-205.49) is amended D.C. Code, 3-205.49 as follows:
- (1) Subsection (a) is amended by striking the phrase "extended or intermediate care facilities" and inserting the phrase "nursing homes" in its place;
  - (2) Subsection (f) is amended to read as follows:
- "(f) For the purposes of this section, the terms 'nursing home' and 'community residence facility' mean those terms as they are defined in section 2(a)(3) and (4) of the Health-Care and Community Residence Facility, Hospice and

Home Care Licensure Act of 1983, effective February 24, 1984 (D.C. Law 5-48; D.C. Code, sec. 32-1301(a)(3))."; and

- (3) A new subsection (g) is added to read as follows:
- "(g) The Mayor may, pursuant to title I of the
  District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, approved
  October 21, 1968 (82 Stat. 1203; D.C. Code, sec. 1-1501 et
  seq.), set payment levels higher than those established by
  this section and, with respect to community residence
  facilities, vary payment levels according to subtypes
  different from, or in addition to, those recognized by
  subsections (c) and (d) of this section."
- (b) Section 550 (D.C. Code, sec. 3-205.50) is amended as follows:

D.C. Code, 3-205.50 (1987 supp.

- (1) Subsection (a) is amended by striking the phrase "\$49 to cover costs incidental to training" and inserting the phrase "\$100 as an incentive payment and to cover transportation and other costs incidental to training" in its place; and
- (2) Subsection (d) is amended by adding the following at the end:

"For all other AFDC parents or legal guardians who regularly attend a school, college, or university or are in the equivalent level of vocational or technical training designed to fit them for gainful employment, as determined by the Mayor, the Mayor shall pay a special needs allowance of up to \$160 per month for the day care costs of children in the assistance unit who are under 13 years of age or

under 19 years of age if incapacitated.".

(c) Section 552 (D.C. Code, sec. 3-205.52) is amended as follows:

D.C. Code, 3-205.52 (1987 supp.

- (1) Subsection (c) is amended to read as follows:
- "(c) The standards of assistance, based on the February 1985 cost of living index, are set forth in the following table and include basic costs of food, clothing, shelter, household and personal items, certain transportation costs, and life insurance when paid by the Mayor.

#### "STANDARDS OF ASSISTANCE

"Family Size	Standard of Assistance	Payment Level
1	\$ 450.00	\$ 229.00
2	560.00	286.00
3	712.00	364.00
4	870.00	444.00
5	1,002.00	512.00
6	1,178.00	601.00
7	1,352.00	690.00
8	1,494.00	762.00
9	1,642.00	838.00
10	1,786.00	911.00
11	1,884.00	961.00
12	2,024.00	1,033.00
13	2,116.00	1,081.00
14	2,232.00	1,140.00
15	2,316.00	1,181.00

		Enrolled Original
16	2,432.00	1,242.00
17	2,668.00	1,362.00
18	2,730.00	1,394.00
19	2,786.00	1,422.00"; and

(2) Subsection (d) is amended to read as follows:

"(d) The table set forth in subsection (c) of this section shall be used for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1986. On or before January 31st of each year, beginning with January 31, 1987, the Mayor shall calculate and submit to the Council a determination of the percentage increase, during the preceding calendar year, in the consumer price index for urban consumers for all items, as published by the United States Department of Labor ("Consumer Price Index"). The level of public assistance payments for assistance units set forth in subsection (c) of this section shall be increased annually as of October 1st of each year, beginning with October 1, 1987, by an amount equal to the percentage increase, if any, in the consumer price increase as determined by the Mayor. The Mayor shall publish notice of this annual increase in public assistance payments in the D.C. Register within 30 days of the increase. The increase in public assistance payments provided by this subsection shall be in addition to any other increase in public assistance payments otherwise provided by law. A public assistance recipient may bring an action in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for mandamus to order the Mayor or any government agency to comply with the provisions of this subsection.".

- Sec. 3. Subject to section 4(b), the District of Columbia Public Assistance Payments Increase Temporary Act of 1986, approved February 14, 1986 (Act 6-135; 33 DCR 1165), is repealed.
- Sec. 4. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, this act shall take effect after a 30-day period of Congressional review following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council of the District of Columbia to override the veto) as provided by section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code, sec. 1-233(c)(1)).
- (b) Sections 2(c) and 3 of this act shall not take effect until October 1, 1986.

Note, D.C. Code, 3-205.52 (1987 supp.

Chairman

-Council of the District of Columbia

Mayor District of Columbia APPROVED: May 2, 1986



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