

By: Senator(s) Blount

To: Public Health and Welfare; Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2859

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-27-33, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO TRANSFER AT LEAST
3 30% OF THE BLOCK GRANT FOR THE STATE AND AVAILABLE FEDERAL FUNDS
4 FOR TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF) CHILD WELFARE
5 SERVICES TO THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR EACH FISCAL
6 YEAR; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

8 **SECTION 1.** Section 43-27-33, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
9 amended as follows:

10 43-27-33. (1) Nothing in this chapter is intended to limit
11 or restrict the operation and effect of Title IV, federal Social
12 Security Act (Subchapter IV, Sections 601-604, Chapter 7, Title
13 42, U.S. Code Annotated) and Sections 43-15-1 through 43-15-9,
14 inclusive, 43-17-1 through 43-17-25, inclusive, 43-25-1 through
15 43-25-17, inclusive, and 93-11-1 through 93-11-63, inclusive,
16 Mississippi Code of 1972, which authorize the Department of Human
17 Services to expend appropriated state and available federal funds
18 for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) child welfare
19 services, and administer the interstate compact on juveniles under
20 approved state-federal plans now in effect; this chapter being



21 cumulative and supplementary. Nothing in this chapter is intended
22 to limit or restrain the operation and effect of the Youth Court
23 Law of 1946, as amended (Chapter 21 of this Title), or the Family
24 Court Law of 1964, as amended (Chapter 23 of this Title), or the
25 power granted to the youth courts or family courts therein
26 outlined. The intent of this section is to * * * ensure that the
27 final responsibility for a delinquent youth resides with the court
28 that has jurisdiction and that the final responsibility for any
29 and all services provided by any and all personnel assigned to a
30 youth or family court resides with the responsible judge.

31 (2) During each fiscal year, the department shall transfer
32 to the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) thirty percent (30%)
33 of the TANF block grant received by the state for that fiscal
34 year, to be used as vouchers to pay for child care for qualifying
35 children under the Child Care Payment Program (CCPP).

36 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
37 and after July 1, 2024.

