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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF R.S. 44:7-18 (Medicaid - deletes reference to in old age assistance)

"Medicaid" was enacted in New Jersey by L. 1968, Chapter 413; program to begin in 1970. (See Legislative History of R.S. 30:4D-1to 19)

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Pre-filed by Vander Plaat and Apy.
No statement.

Not amended during passage.

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ASSEMBLY, No. 181

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1969 SESSION

By Assemblyman VANDER PLAAT

Referred to Committee on Institutions and Welfare

An Act concerning public assistance and amending section 44:7-18 of the Revised Statutes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- 1 1. Section 44:7-18 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read
- 2 as follows:
- 3 When the county welfare board receives an application for old
- 4 age assistance, an investigation and record shall promptly be made
- 5 of the circumstances of the applicant. The object of such investi-
- 6 gation shall be to ascertain the facts supporting the application
- 7 and such other information as may be required by the rules of
- 8 the State division. When immediate need is apparent and the
- 9 applicant provides evidence of eligibility by a written statement
- 10 signed and verified under oath, the director of welfare shall issue
- 11 a grant of old age assistance effective as of the date of application
- 12 and pending completion of such investigation. Upon the comple-
- 13 tion of such investigation the county welfare board shall decide
- 14 whether the applicant is eligible for and should receive or continue
- 15 to receive old age assistance, the amount of assistance, the manner
- 16 of paying or providing it, and as appropriate, the date on which
- 17 the assistance shall begin; provided, however, that if the com-
- 18 pleted investigation shows the applicant to have been ineligible
- 19 for reasons other than need, the county welfare board shall not
- 20 be obligated, in the absence of fraud or misrepresentation, to take
- 21 action for the recovery of any assistance granted pending comple-
- 22 tion of such invesigation. It shall notify the applicant of its deci-
- 23 sion in writing.
- 24 [Any such grant of old age assistance shall not make the recip-
- 25 ients thereof eligible for coverage under the "New Jersey Medical

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

- 26 Assistance Act," now pending before the Legislature if the same
- 27 shall be enacted.
- 28 The county welfare board shall at once report to the State divi-
- 29 sion its decision in each case together with copies of such support-
- 30 ing records as the State division may require. Such decision shall
- 31 be final, except that where an application is not acted upon by the
- 32 county welfare board within 30 days after the filing of the applica-
- 33 tion, or the application is denied, or the grant is deemed inade-
- 34 quate, either by the State division or by the applicant, the State
- 35 division may review the case in its discretion or the applicant may
- 36 appeal to the State division by filing a petition with the division
- 37 setting forth the facts in full as to the necessity of such assistnce.
- 38 Whereupon a representative of the State division shall hold a fair
- 39 hearing on the appeal, and if the appeal is sustained by the State
- 40 division the payments of assistance in the amount determined by
- 41 the State division must be paid by said county welfare board as
- 42 herein provided.
- 1 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 1970.