

monies in its hands, except permanent school funds and motor vehicle funds.

[Am. Rem. Supp. 1949, § 6584-37.]

Appropriation.

SEC. 15. There is appropriated from the motor vehicle fund the sum of sixty-six million seven hundred three thousand six hundred and twenty-five dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the provisions of this chapter, but no money shall be available under this appropriation from said fund unless a like amount of the bonds provided for herein are sold and the money derived deposited to the credit of such fund.

Available, when.

Emergency.

SEC. 16. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1951.

Passed the House March 6, 1951.

Approved by the Governor March 15, 1951.

CHAPTER 122.

[S. B. 228.]

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE—AID TO THE BLIND.

AN ACT relating to public assistance; and exempting certain resources in aid to the blind assistance to conform with public law 734; amending section 74.08.010, R.C.W.; and declaring an effective date.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Amendment.

SECTION 1. Section 74.08.010, R.C.W., as derived from section 3 (f), [section 3] chapter 1, Laws of 1951, is hereby amended in order to conform with the requirements of the federal social security act as follows:

For the purposes of this chapter, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following definitions shall apply: Definitions.

(a) "Department"—The department of social security. "Department."

(b) "Applicant"—Any person who has made a request, or on behalf of whom a request has been made, to any county welfare department for assistance. "Applicant."

(c) "Recipient"—Any person receiving assistance or currently approved to receive assistance at any future date. "Recipient."

(d) "Income"—Net income in cash or kind available to an applicant or recipient, the receipt of which is regular and predictable enough that an applicant or recipient may rely upon it to contribute appreciably toward meeting his needs: *Provided*, That in determining the amount of assistance to which a recipient of aid to the blind is entitled the department of social security is hereby authorized to disregard as a resource the first fifty dollars per month of any earned income of such blind recipient who is otherwise eligible for an aid to the blind grant. In formulating rules and regulations pursuant to this act the department shall define "earned income" in such a manner as to meet with the approval of the federal security agency. "Income."

(e) "Need"—The amount by which the requirements of an individual for himself and the dependent members of his family, as measured by the standards of the department, exceed all income and resources available to such individual in meeting such requirements. "Need."

(f) "Resource"—Any asset, tangible or intangible, which can be applied toward meeting an applicant's or recipient's need, either directly or by conversion into money or its equivalent: *Provided*, That the following described assets shall not be "Resource."
Exceptions.

considered as a resource available to meet need during such time as they are used by an applicant or recipient in the manner and form as follows:

Home.

(1) The home as defined in section 74.08.020 hereof.

Certain personal property.

(2) Personal property and belongings as defined in section 74.08.020 hereof.

Household goods and clothing.

(3) Household furnishings and personal clothing used and useful to the person.

Automobile, when.

(4) An automobile or other form of conveyance if such conveyance is necessary to an applicant or recipient because of a lack of, or an inability to use, public transportation. The department shall have the right by rules and regulations to fix a maximum value on such conveyance.

Cash, amount.

(5) Cash of not to exceed two hundred dollars for a single person or four hundred dollars for a family unit, or marketable securities of such value.

Life insurance, amount.

(6) Life insurance having a cash surrender value not in excess of five hundred dollars for a single person or one thousand dollars for a family unit: *Provided*, That this maximum allowance shall be decreased by the amount of cash held by the person or the family unit under item 5 above.

[R.C.W. 74.08.020 is section 4, chapter 1, Laws of 1951.]

Act effective, when.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on December 8, 1952.

Passed the Senate February 27, 1951.

Passed the House March 6, 1951.

Approved by the Governor March 15, 1951.