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An Act To Establish a Statewide Residency Requirement for General Assistance

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4307, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 349, Pt. H, §15, is amended to read:

A. A resident of the municipality. For the purposes of this section, a "resident" means a person who is has been physically present for 30 days or longer in a municipality with the intention of remaining in that municipality to maintain or establish a home and who has no other residence; and

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §4307, sub-§2, ¶B, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 349, Pt. H, §15, is amended to read:

B. Eligible persons who apply to the municipality for assistance and who are not residents of that or any other municipality, but only after remaining in that municipality for 30 days or longer. If a person is not a resident of any municipality, the municipality where that person first applies shall be responsible for support until a new residence is established.

Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §4307, sub-§3, as repealed and replaced by PL 1987, c. 349, Pt. H, §15, is repealed.

SUMMARY

This bill establishes a 30-day residency requirement for general assistance benefits.