BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, a person who receives child support in amounts sufficient to cause denial of Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) benefits is no longer eligible for subsidized child care and less likely to complete the jobs opportunities and basic skills (JOBS) training program. This bill allows certain AFDC recipients to complete their education or training activities while receiving transitional child care.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 58 allows for continued participation by certain recipients of Aid to Families with Dependent Children in the jobs opportunities and basic skills (JOBS) program.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 31.012, Human Resources Code, by adding Subsection (e), to require the Texas Department of Human Services (department) to allow a person participating in work or employment activities under this section to complete those activities if the person becomes ineligible to receive financial assistance because the person receives child support in an amount that makes the person ineligible for that assistance. Requires the department to provide necessary child care services to the person until the date on which the person completes work or employment activities under this section.

SECTION 2. Requires a state agency to request a waiver or authorization and authorizes an agency to delay implementing the relevant provision, if before implementing any provision of Section 31.012(e), Human Resources Code, the state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a federal agency is necessary for implementation.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 1997.

Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 4. Emergency clause.