

SB34 • Kentucky

AN ACT relating to the promotion of family well-being and making an appropriation therefor.

Introduced

Risk: Medium

Comprehensive

Effective: Jan 01, 2025 | Last Action (Jan 05, 2024): to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

Summary

The bill extends public assistance eligibility, mandates human review of benefits, establishes tuition waivers for eligible parents, and allows eviction record expungement.

Business Impact

If you operate public assistance programs in Kentucky, you must ensure human review of benefit decisions by January 1, 2025, or face compliance issues.

Key Provisions

- Extends eligibility periods for public assistance to the maximum allowed under federal law.
- Prohibits exclusive reliance on automated systems for fraud detection in public assistance.
- Requires human review of documentation before denying or reducing benefits.
- Establishes a presumption of innocence for beneficiaries appealing disqualifications.
- Creates a Child Care Assistance Program and mandates Medicaid coverage for lactation support.
- Appropriates funds for rental assistance and nutrition programs for families.
- Establishes a tuition and student fee waiver for eligible pregnant women and parents.
- Allows court eviction records to be expunged after three years.

Compliance Checklist

- Ensure human review of benefit decisions | Who: Cabinet for Health and Family Services personnel | Penalty: Potential compliance issues
- Implement new support programs as mandated | Who: State agencies and insurers | Penalty: Potential compliance issues

Industries Affected

Finance Technology Healthcare Education Housing Public Assistance Employment Health Insurance

Topics

AI in Employment AI Healthcare AI in Insurance AI in Education Algorithmic Pricing AI in Real Estate

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Related Bills

- HB734 (KY)
- HB7 (KY)
- HB380 (KY)

Official Source

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