

Senate Bill 81

In The Senate

January 8, 1981

Introduced and referred
to Committee on State
Administration.

January 20, 1981

Committee recommend bill
do not pass.

1 *Spate* BILL NO. *81*
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Northing*
 3 BY REQUEST OF

4 THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES

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 6 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AN AID
 7 TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN UNEMPLOYED PARENT PROGRAM BY CHANGING
 8 REFERENCES IN THE CURRENT PROGRAM FROM "UNEMPLOYED FATHER"
 9 TO "UNEMPLOYED PARENT"; AMENDING SECTIONS 53-4-234 THROUGH
 10 53-4-236, MCA."

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 12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

13 Section 1. Section 53-4-234, MCA, is amended to read:

14 "53-4-234. Aid not to be denied because father parent
 15 unemployable or unable to find work. Aid to dependent
 16 children may not be denied to or for the care of children
 17 who would otherwise be entitled to such aid under the laws
 18 of this state by the fact that the child is living in the
 19 home of his father parent who is, in the opinion of the
 20 county board of public welfare of the appropriate county,
 21 either unemployable or who is honestly and responsibly
 22 seeking proper employment and is unable to find such
 23 employment or by the fact that the child is living in the
 24 home of a head of a household who is at the time receiving
 25 job training under the laws of this state, nor may the

1 benefits which would otherwise accrue to the child for aid
 2 to dependent children under the laws of the state be reduced
 3 by reason of any such cause."

4 Section 2. Section 53-4-235, MCA, is amended to read:

5 "53-4-235. Primary factors in determining whether
 6 father parent honestly and responsibly seeking work. Primary
 7 factors in determining whether a father parent is honestly
 8 and responsibly seeking employment include ~~his~~ the parent's
 9 willingness to register for employment with the department
 10 of labor and industry, if that department has a
 11 representative in his county of residence, and his
 12 willingness to accept employment in which he is able to
 13 engage which will increase his ability to maintain himself
 14 and his family."

15 Section 3. Section 53-4-236, MCA, is amended to read:

16 "53-4-236. Department criteria for determining whether
 17 father parent honestly and responsibly seeking work. The
 18 department may establish additional criteria for determining
 19 whether a father parent is honestly and responsibly seeking
 20 employment."

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