

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Senate Bill 740

BY SENATOR BLAIR

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to the Committee on Finance]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §18-10L-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
2 to clarifying authorized uses of the Ron Yost Personal Assistance Services Fund.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 10L. RON YOST PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES ACT.

§18-10L-5. Funding.

1 (a) There is hereby created in the State Treasury a special fund designated the Ron Yost
2 Personal Assistance Services Fund. The fund shall be an appropriated account within the Division
3 of Rehabilitation Services and the moneys shall be expended exclusively for the purposes of this
4 article.

5 (b) Funds made available ~~for programs~~ under this article may be used only for the
6 ~~planning, designing, delivering and administering of personal assistance services and training~~
7 Ron Yost Personal Assistance Program, including planning; designing; delivering; and
8 administering services, functional assessment evaluations, and training. The Division of
9 Rehabilitation Services may use not more than seven percent of the total allocation for
10 administrative costs.

11 (c) The Division of Rehabilitation Services or the contracted program administrator may
12 apply for and use all other funding sources to carry out this program, including ~~state and federal~~
13 ~~funds, program fees and other allocated moneys~~ state, federal, and other grants and donations.

14 (d) Funds shall be disbursed in a manner that ensures maximum consumer control of the
15 services provided under the program.

16 (e) Personal assistance services shall be available only to the extent funding is available
17 through annual appropriations of state, federal, and other allotted funds.

18 (f) Funds or services provided to eligible individuals by the personal assistance services
19 program under this article ~~shall not be considered as~~ is not income to those individuals for any
20 purpose under this code or under the rules of any agency of state government.

NOTE: This bill was requested by the Division of Rehabilitation Services for the purpose of clarifying authorized use of moneys allocated for the administration of the Ron Yost Personal Assistance Services Program.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.