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94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 208, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to child care subsidies.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 208, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 208.046, to read as follows:

**208.046. 1. The children's division shall promulgate rules to become effective no
2 later than July 1, 2008, to modify the income eligibility criteria for any person receiving
3 state-funded child care assistance under this chapter, either through vouchers or direct
4 reimbursement to child care providers, as follows:**

5 **(1) For incomes of less than one hundred thirty percent of the federal poverty level
6 for the applicable family size, such persons receiving state-funded child care assistance
7 under this chapter shall receive full child care subsidy benefits;**

8 **(2) For incomes of one hundred thirty percent to one hundred eighty-five percent
9 of the federal poverty level for the applicable family size, such persons receiving state-
10 funded child care assistance under this chapter shall receive child care subsidy benefits
11 reduced proportionately based on income in excess of one hundred thirty percent of the
12 federal poverty level for the applicable family size;**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

13 **(3) For incomes in excess of one hundred eighty-five percent of the federal poverty**
14 **level for applicable family size, such persons shall be ineligible for child care subsidy**
15 **benefits.**

16 **2. Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting the imposition of a fee**
17 **by the division to child care subsidy benefit recipients based on gross income and family**
18 **unit size and based on a child care sliding fee scale established by the division. The sliding**
19 **scale fee may be waived for children with special needs as established by the division.**

20 **3. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo,**
21 **that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if**
22 **it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if**
23 **applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable**
24 **and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo,**
25 **to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently**
26 **held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or**
27 **adopted after August 28, 2007, shall be invalid and void.**

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