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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **732**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services Policy  
02/06/2023 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to human services; modifying income definitions for housing support;  
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 256I.03, subdivision 7.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 256I.03, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 7. **Countable income.** (a) "Countable income" means all income received by an  
1.7 applicant or recipient as described under section 256P.06, less any applicable exclusions or  
1.8 disregards. For a recipient of any cash benefit from the SSI program, countable income  
1.9 means the SSI benefit limit in effect at the time the person is a recipient of housing support,  
1.10 less the medical assistance personal needs allowance under section 256B.35. If the SSI limit  
1.11 or benefit is reduced for a person due to events other than receipt of additional income,  
1.12 countable income means actual income less any applicable exclusions and disregards.

1.13 (b) For a recipient of any cash benefit from the Supplemental Security Income (SSI)  
1.14 program who lives in a setting described in section 256I.04, subdivision 2a, paragraph (b),  
1.15 clause (2), countable income equals 30 percent of the SSI benefit limit in effect at the time  
1.16 a person is a recipient of housing support. If the SSI limit or benefit is reduced for a person  
1.17 due to events other than receipt of additional income, countable income equals 30 percent  
1.18 of the recipient's actual income less any applicable exclusions and disregards. For recipients  
1.19 under this paragraph, the medical assistance personal needs allowance described in section  
1.20 256I.04, subdivision 1, paragraphs (a), clause (2), and (b), does not apply.

1.21 (c) For a recipient of any cash benefit from the SSI program who does not live in a  
1.22 setting as described in section 256I.04, subdivision 2a, paragraph (b), clause (2), countable  
1.23 income equals the SSI benefit limit in effect at the time the person is a recipient of housing

2.1 support, less the medical assistance personal needs allowance under section 256B.35. If the  
2.2 SSI limit or benefit is reduced for a person due to events other than receipt of additional  
2.3 income, countable income equals actual income less any applicable exclusions and disregards.

2.4 (d) Notwithstanding the earned income disregard in section 256P.03, for a recipient of  
2.5 any unearned income as defined in section 256P.06, subdivision 3, clause (2), other than  
2.6 SSI who lives in a setting described in section 256I.04, subdivision 2a, paragraph (b), clause  
2.7 (2), countable income equals 30 percent of the recipient's total income after applicable  
2.8 exclusions and disregards. Total income includes any unearned income as defined in section  
2.9 256P.06 and any earned income in the month the person is a recipient of housing support.  
2.10 For recipients under this paragraph, the medical assistance personal needs allowance  
2.11 described in section 256I.04, subdivision 1, paragraphs (a), clause (2), and (b), does not  
2.12 apply.

2.13 (e) Notwithstanding paragraph (d), Tribal per capita payments listed under section  
2.14 256P.06, subdivision 3, clause (2), item (xii), shall not be considered countable income  
2.15 under this subdivision.

2.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.