ANALYSIS

This ordinance amends Section 2.102.170 of Title 2 - Administration of the Los Angeles County Code, relating to general relief eligibility, to address children who fall within the provisions of Welfare and Institutions Code section 11450.04.

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07/08/14 (requested)
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ORDINANCE NO. 2014-0039

An ordinance amending Title 2 – Administration of the Los Angeles County Code, relating to general relief eligibility, regarding children who fall within the provisions of Welfare and Institutions Code section 11450.04.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2.102.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.102.170 - General relief—Eligibility—Persons eligible for federal or state aid.

A. No person shall be eligible for general relief who is eligible for or a recipient of assistance under federal or state adult or family aid programs, including, but not limited to, Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Program, and Aid to Families with Dependent Children; provided, that general relief applicants, who have been determined eligible for any such federal or state aid program, but who have not yet received assistance from such program and who are otherwise eligible for general relief, may be eligible for emergency aid, as provided in standards adopted by the Board of Supervisors, for the period until their receipt of assistance from such federal or state aid program.

B. Any person who is eligible for any such federal or state aid program and who is denied assistance or terminated from such program because of the failure or refusal of such person to comply with any of the requirements of such program shall be ineligible for general relief.

C. Any person who appears to the department to be potentially qualified to receive assistance from any such federal or state aid program and who refuses to complete the application process for such program, including, but not limited to, any administrative appeals as determined necessary and appropriate by the department to establish the eligibility of such person for such program, shall be ineligible for general relief. The department shall provide assistance, as it determines necessary and appropriate, to any person who appears to the department to be potentially qualified to receive assistance from any such federal or state aid program for the purpose of establishing the eligibility of such person for such program.

D. Any person who has applied for any such federal or state aid program and whose determination of eligibility under such program is pending and who is otherwise eligible for general relief must also have applied for any temporary or emergency assistance available under any such federal or state aid program and have been denied such assistance before such person is eligible for general relief.

E. No person who is determined to be ineligible for further assistance from any such federal or state aid program shall be eligible for general relief until the day following the last day of the period for which assistance was issued to such person under such federal or state aid program.

F. Any family member who is eligible for any such federal or state aid program and who is denied assistance or terminated from such program because of the failure or refusal of any other member of such person's family to comply with any of the employment requirements of such program shall be ineligible for general relief.

G. Except as provided in this subsection, no general relief shall be furnished to supplement the needs of persons receiving assistance from any such federal or state aid program. Persons who are eligible for or recipients of Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Refugee Cash Assistance or Entrant Cash Assistance, may be eligible for general relief only as provided in standards adopted by the board of supervisors.

H. Nothing in this section or this chapter shall be construed to prevent a child, who falls within the maximum family grant rule found in Welfare and Institutions Code section 11450.04, from receiving general relief in instances where the child lives in an assistance unit which receives a zero-cash grant due to the parent(s) being ineligible to receive CalWORKs assistance for reasons other than failure to comply with program requirements.

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SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be published in The Daily Commerce a newspaper printed and published in the County of Los Angeles.

Don Knabe
Chairman

ATTEST:

Sachi A. Hamai
Executive Officer -
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles

I hereby certify that at its meeting of September 9, 2014 the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said County of Los Angeles by the following vote, to wit:

	Ayes		Noes
Supervisors	Gloria Molina	Supervisors	None
	Mark Ridley-Thomas		
	Don Knabe		

Effective Date: October 9, 2014

~~Operative Date:~~

Sachi A. Hamai
Executive Officer -
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles

I hereby certify that pursuant to Section 25103 of the Government Code, delivery of this document has been made.

SACHI A. HAMAI
Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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