

### **IC 12-14-5.5**

Chapter 5.5. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families;  
Performing Public Service

#### **IC 12-14-5.5-1**

##### **Implementation of program**

Sec. 1. The division shall implement a program to require a person receiving assistance under the TANF program and who is:

- (1) at least eighteen (18) years of age; or
- (2) less than eighteen (18) years of age and the parent of a dependent child;

to engage in public service in exchange for assistance under these programs.

*As added by P.L.46-1995, SEC.28. Amended by P.L.161-2007, SEC.30.*

#### **IC 12-14-5.5-2**

##### **Rules and exemptions**

Sec. 2. (a) The division may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to establish criteria for determining:

- (1) the persons required to engage in public service; and
- (2) the public and private agencies eligible for the placement of persons engaged in public service.

(b) Rules adopted under this section may provide an exemption for:

- (1) a person with a substantial physical or mental disability that prevents the person from obtaining or participating in gainful employment;
- (2) a person engaged in full time work; and
- (3) a person engaged full time in an education program or a training program approved by the division.

*As added by P.L.46-1995, SEC.28.*

#### **IC 12-14-5.5-3**

##### **Agency list**

Sec. 3. The division shall maintain a list of public and private agencies eligible for placement of a person engaged in public service under this chapter.

*As added by P.L.46-1995, SEC.28.*

#### **IC 12-14-5.5-4**

##### **Maximum work hours**

Sec. 4. The maximum number of hours a person is required to work under this chapter is equal to the number of hours multiplied by the minimum wage that is equivalent to the value of all assistance received. However, a person may not be required to work more than forty (40) hours per week.

*As added by P.L.46-1995, SEC.28.*

#### **IC 12-14-5.5-5**

**Refusal to perform public service**

Sec. 5. A person required to engage in public service under this chapter who refuses to engage in public service is not entitled to receive assistance under the TANF program.

*As added by P.L.46-1995, SEC.28. Amended by P.L.161-2007, SEC.31.*