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Please feel free to contact us if you have questions or comments regarding this information or any other CTAS website material.

Sincerely,

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COMPILER'S NOTE: The following act is a public act of special application and is not codified in Tennessee Code Annotated.

SECTION 1. State assistance, as used in this Act, shall be defined as any form of monetary benefit, other than salaries, wages, bonuses, pensions, retirement payments, insurance benefits, or death benefits received by an individual from the state of Tennessee for the individual's personal, financial, medical, or social needs.

SECTION 2. Any individual who resides in the county designated by a committee appointed by the Governor and composed of the commissioners, or their representatives, of state departments providing state assistance, as defined in this Act, and who is receiving state assistance shall be required to hold in his or her possession an identification card bearing a reasonable likeness of said individual and said individual's federal social security number. Said number must be printed on all state assistance payments to which an individual is entitled and must correspond with the individual's identification card, as herein required.

SECTION 3. All state departments providing state assistance shall be responsible for providing its recipients to whom the provisions of Section 2 of this Act apply with the identification card described in Section 2 of this Act, free of charge to said individual.

SECTION 4. The provisions of this Act shall only apply to those counties of the state having a population of not less than 700,000 according to the federal census of 1970, or any subsequent federal census.

SECTION 5. The committee described in Section 2 is authorized by this Act. The committee shall designate the county in which the requirement of Section 2 shall apply and the duration of the requirement. The committee shall make a recommendation, at a time which the committee shall determine, on the feasibility of this requirement for all individuals in the state who receive state assistance.

SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1972, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: April 4, 1972.

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