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Overview

This bill would authorize the Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) to electronically access the MAXIS database of the Department of Human Services (DHS), in order to verify eligibility-i.e., including that the veterans requesting assistance under the State Soldiers Assistance Program are not already receiving similar benefits from DHS. The bill would be effective October 1, 2004.

Notes :

Under current practice, the MDVA must phone the DHS to verify eligibility for each veteran applying for temporary assistance through the State Soldiers Assistance Program.

MAXIS is a master computer system in the Department of Human Services that tracks all public assistance payments and activity throughout the state.