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## **Overview**

This bill modifies MFIP income exclusions by removing a disincentive for recipients to get married and requiring counties to inform caregivers about the income exclusion for assistance units with newly married caregivers.

MFIP is a jointly funded, federal-state program designed to provide income assistance for eligible low-income families. MFIP benefits are based on family size, with the MFIP grant composed of a cash portion and a food portion.

## **Section**

- General information. Amends § 256J.45, subd. 2. Adds to the list of information that must be presented during the MFIP orientation by including information about certain income exclusions. Makes this section effective July 1, 2018.
- **Exempted individuals.** Amends § 256P.06, subd. 2. Adds to the list of exempted members of an assistance unit under MFIP and child care assistance program chapters of statute. Makes this section effective July 1, 2018.