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A BILL

To amend section 5101.143 of the Revised Code to 1
allow the Director of Job and Family Services to 2
waive repayment of a state adoption assistance 3
loan for economically disadvantaged families. 4

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 5101.143 of the Revised Code be 5
amended to read as follows: 6

Sec. 5101.143. (A) The state adoption assistance loan fund 7
is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund shall consist 8
of all money appropriated or transferred to it and all loan 9
repayments or other money, including interest and penalties, 10
derived from state adoption assistance loans. The department of 11
job and family services shall administer the fund. Money in the 12
fund shall be used to make state adoption assistance loans to 13
prospective adoptive parents applying for a loan under section 14
3107.018 of the Revised Code. All investment earnings of the 15
fund shall be credited to the fund. 16

(B) The director of job and family services may waive all 17
or a portion of the repayment of an outstanding state adoption 18
assistance loan made under this section for a qualifying family 19

if the director determines that the family is economically 20
disadvantaged. 21

(C) The director shall adopt rules in accordance with 22
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as necessary to implement this 23
section, including rules for creating a loan application form, 24
procedures and standards for reviewing and granting or denying 25
loan applications, conditions on the use of the loan, loan 26
repayment terms, procedures for collection of loan arrearages, 27
~~and~~ any monetary penalties for loan arrearages or improper use 28
of loan funds, and standards for waiving loan repayment for 29
economically disadvantaged families under division (B) of this 30
section. 31

Section 2. That existing section 5101.143 of the Revised 32
Code is hereby repealed. 33