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Subject: DCBS HB 7 (RS 22) required submittals continued - final waiver requests

Good morning,

HB 7 (RS22) required the Department for Community Based Services to submit federal waivers related to public assistance programs and to notify the LRC (IJC on HW&FS and IJC on A&R) when that has been completed. DCBS previously submitted two of these related to SNAP transitional benefit and time limit exceptions (email dated 1/17/2023). The department recently submitted the final two required waiver requests. A summary is provided below and attachments are contained in this email. Let me know if you have any questions or if additional information is requested. Thanks.

Section 4(1)(b)1. of House Bill 7 – codified in KRS 205.1783(1)(b)1. – requires the cabinet to request a waiver from the U.S.D.A. to implement an Elderly Simplified Application Project (ESAP) for individuals who have no earned income and who are over sixty (60) years of age or who are disabled.

Section 4(1)(b)2. of House Bill 7 – codified in KRS 205.1783(1)(b)2. – requires the cabinet to request a waiver from the U.S.D.A. to implement a standard medical deduction for individuals who are over sixty (60) years of age or are disabled.

Section 33 of HB 7 included that if a state plan amendment, waiver, other approval or authorization from a federal agency is necessary, the cabinet shall make that request. The cabinet shall provide a copy of any state plan amendment, waiver, or other approval or authorization submitted to the Interim Joint Committee on Health, Welfare, and Family Services and the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue.

Please see the attached waiver requests to implement these programs.

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