

## **LIHEAP BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION**

### **Proposed Findings of Fact**

The Natural Resources and Energy Interim Joint Committee finds that:

- (1) LIHEAP funds specified in the application have been included in an appropriation provision or a branch budget bill enacted by the General Assembly in anticipation of such application;
- (2) Any excess in the total amount of LIHEAP funds sought over the total amount of such funds anticipated and included in an appropriation provision or a branch budget bill has been included in a surplus expenditure plan approved by the General Assembly;
- (3) A budget reduction plan specifying programs and services to be eliminated or to be reduced in scope if federal funding diminishes or is cut has been included;
- (4) The budget reduction plan does not propose to increase the ratio of state funds to federal funds if federal funding diminishes or is cut;
- (5) LIHEAP funds to be provided under the application are fairly and equitably distributed among those programs, services, or recipients eligible for block grant funding;
- (6) LIHEAP funds to be provided under the application are not to be used to fund programs or services that would duplicate or supplant existing programs or services funded by the private sector;
- (7) The intended uses of LIHEAP funds specified in the application are in compliance with applicable federal and state laws pertaining to such block grant funds; and
- (8) The amount of LIHEAP funds to be retained by the state administering agency for administrative purposes does not exceed an amount allowable under federal law.