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LEGISLATIVE BILL 1033

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Committee: Health and Human Services

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to social services; to amend section 68-1215,
2 Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for crisis
3 assistance payments under the low-income home energy assistance
4 program; and to repeal the original section.
5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 **Section 1.** Section 68-1215, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
2 2024, is amended to read:

3 68-1215 (1) For purposes of determining eligibility of a household
4 for the low-income home energy assistance program pursuant to section
5 68-1201 as administered by the State of Nebraska pursuant to the federal
6 Energy Policy Act of 2005, 42 U.S.C. 8621 to 8630, the Department of
7 Health and Human Services shall apply a household total annual income
8 level of one hundred fifty percent of the federal poverty level published
9 annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services or
10 such successor agency which publishes the federal poverty level.

11 (2) The Department of Health and Human Services shall make crisis
12 assistance payments as necessary of no more than eight hundred dollars
13 per program year and may authorize crisis assistance payments for more
14 than eight hundred dollars per program year based on extenuating
15 circumstances.

16 **Sec. 2.** Original section 68-1215, Revised Statutes Cumulative
17 Supplement, 2024, is repealed.