

Welfare Conference Committee is deciding **now.**

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## Calls Needed Right Away

### To Protect Children Living in Poverty!

The Welfare Conference Committee is currently deciding what to include in the final welfare bill.

Both the **House and Senate bills** would -

- Allow the state to impose work requirements on thousands of disabled parents and take away the benefits for their children if they can't comply.
- Deny public housing to many immigrants, including some Haitian earthquake survivors, domestic violence survivors, and crime victims with special visas, among many others.

In addition, the **Senate bill** would -

- Require applicants for cash assistance to prove they have looked for work before they can get welfare benefits, even if they don't have child care, money or transportation, or cell phone minutes.
- Deny benefits to former recipients who reapply and can't prove they complied with a welfare plan done months or years earlier when they received assistance.

### PLEASE CALL YOUR SENATOR AND REPRESENTATIVE TODAY!

#### 1. Call your State Senator.

**Message:** "Please urge the Senate President and the welfare conference committee to keep the disability, housing, job search, and welfare plan changes out of the welfare bill."

#### 2. Call your State Representative.

**Message:** "Please urge the Speaker and the welfare conference committee to keep the disability, housing, job search, and welfare plan changes out of the welfare bill."

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