## **WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §9-9-12**

## §9-9-12. Diversionary assistance allowance in lieu of monthly cash assistance.

- (a) In order to encourage at-risk families not to apply for ongoing monthly cash assistance from the state, the secretary may issue one-time diversionary assistance allowances to families in an amount not to exceed the equivalent of three months of cash assistance in order to enable the families to become immediately self-supporting.
- (b) The secretary shall establish by rule the standards to be considered in making diversionary assistance allowances.
- (c) Nothing in this section may be construed to require that the department or any assistance issued pursuant to this section be subject to any of the provisions of chapter thirty-one or chapter forty-six-a of this code.