

State Child Support Pass-Through Policies

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The chart includes laws enacted by state legislatures through the 2008 legislative session to pass through collected child support to families receiving TANF assistance and to disregard the passed through support income in determining eligibility for and the amount of assistance:

STATE	CURRENT TANF Pass-Through Policy
ALABAMA	No pass-through/disregard.
ALASKA	Up to \$50 passed through. Amount disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits.
ARIZONA	No pass-through/disregard.
ARKANSAS	No pass-through/disregard.
CALIFORNIA	Up to \$50 passed through. Amount disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits.
COLORADO	No pass-through/disregard.
CONNECTICUT	Up to \$50 passed through. Amount disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits. <i>Exception:</i> If the child support exceeds the TANF benefit by more than \$50, the family receives the entire amount of child support and the support is fully counted as income.
DELAWARE	Up to \$50 passed through. Amount disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits. State also uses fill-the-gap budgeting.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Up to \$150 passed through. Amount disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits.
FLORIDA	No pass-through/disregard.
GEORGIA	State passes through and disregards some or all support for purposes of fill-the-gap budgeting.

STATE	CURRENT TANF Pass-Through Policy
НАЖАП	No pass-through/disregard.
ІДАНО	No pass-through/disregard.
ILLINOIS	Up to \$50 passed through. Amount disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits.
INDIANA	No pass-through/disregard.
IOWA	No pass-through/disregard.
KANSAS	No pass-through/disregard.
KENTUCKY	No pass-through. However, the first \$50 is disregarded for purposes of gross income test used in determining TANF eligibility. If applicant meets gross income test, full amount disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits.
LOUISIANA	No pass-through/disregard.
MAINE	Up to \$50 passed through. Amount disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits. State also uses fill-the-gap budgeting.
MARYLAND	No pass-through/disregard.
MASSACHUSETTS	Up to \$50 passed through. Amount disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits. <i>Exception:</i> If a child is excluded from grant by family cap, then all child support collected is passed through, and \$90 is disregarded.
MICHIGAN	Up to \$50 passed through. Amount disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits.
MINNESOTA	State passes through all support up to court-ordered amount but does not disregard any for purposes of calculating benefits.
MISSISSIPPI	No pass-through/disregard.
MISSOURI	No pass-through/disregard.
MONTANA	No pass-through/disregard. Has a supplemental TANF payment program based on child support receipt of up to \$100.
NEBRASKA	No pass-through/disregard.

STATE	CURRENT TANF Pass-Through Policy
NEVADA	No pass-through/disregard.
NEW HAMPSHIRE	No pass-through/disregard.
NEW JERSEY	Effective 10/1/08, the state will pass through current support payments received for the month.
NEW MEXICO	Effective 1/1/09, the pass-through and disregard will increase to \$100 per month for one child and \$200 for two or more children.
NEW YORK	Effective 10/1/08, the pass-through and disregard increased to \$100 per month. Effective 1/1/10, the pass-through and disregard will increase to \$200 for families with 2 or more children.
NORTH CAROLINA	No pass-through/disregard.
NORTH DAKOTA	No pass-through/disregard.
ОНІО	No pass-through/disregard.
OKLAHOMA	No pass-through/disregard.
OREGON	Effective 10/1/08, the state will implement a \$50 passed through and disregard per child per month, up to \$200 for the family unit.
PENNSYLVANIA	Effective 10/1/08, existing pre-assistance assignments will be discontinued; the pass-through will increase to \$100 for one child and \$200 for two or more children; and post-TANF distribution will increase
RHODE ISLAND	Up to \$50 passed through. Amount disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits.
SOUTH CAROLINA	State passes through and disregards some or all support for purposes of fill-the-gap budgeting.
SOUTH DAKOTA	No pass-through/disregard.
TENNESSEE	State passes through and disregards some or all support for purposes of fill-the-gap budgeting.
TEXAS	Effective 10/1/08, the state will implement a \$75 pass-through and disregard.
UTAH	No pass-through/disregard.

STATE	CURRENT TANF Pass-Through Policy
VERMONT	State passes through all current support. The first \$50 is disregarded.
VIRGINIA	Effective 10/1/08, the pass-through and disregard will increase to \$100.
WASHINGTON	Effective 10/1/08, the pass-through and disregard will increase to \$100 for one child and \$200 for two or more children.
WEST VIRGINIA	State retains all support collected. However, TANF grant for those on whose behalf current support is collected is increased by up to \$25 a month.
WISCONSIN	State's share of assigned collections is passed through. Full amount is disregarded for purposes of eligibility and benefits.
WYOMING	No pass-through/disregard.