

Saskatchewan



Ministry of
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Income Assistance and
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July 11, 2012

Tim Tremblay
#403 – 510 Laurier Street West
MOOSE JAW, SK S6H 6X6

Dear Mr. Tremblay:

Thank you for your letter of June 27, 2012 where you expressed some concern about the notice period provided to you regarding a change to your benefits.

At the end of May, an adjustment was made effective June 1, 2012 to your Saskatchewan Assistance Program benefits in conjunction with your receipt of the Saskatchewan Rental Housing Supplement. Because of the inconsistency in the application of Saskatchewan Assistance Regulation 28(2.1)(a), you were in receipt of benefits to which you were not legally entitled. Although this necessary adjustment was made in order to comply with existing Regulations, the Ministry of Social Services acknowledges that social assistance beneficiaries are due reasonable notice of any changes to their benefits. It is our regular practice to provide beneficiaries with 30 days notice of any changes in benefits, and we will do our best to remain consistent with this practice in administering your benefits in the future.

We received your letter concerning the appeal report that that was mailed to you. I can confirm that the appeal process is the proper avenue for Saskatchewan Assistance beneficiaries to dispute any decisions made to their benefits. You will have the opportunity at the appeal hearing to address your concerns about your benefits. Any appeal requests you submit will be heard by the regional appeal committee, and if you are dissatisfied with the outcome, you have the right to advance your appeal to the Social Services Appeal Board.

Thank you for your patience and understanding concerning these matters.

Sincerely,

Clint DeMarce
Manager
Service Delivery
Income Assistance
Moose Jaw and Area
CD/dd



July 3, 2012

Mr. Tim Tremblay
403 – 510 Laurier Street W.
MOOSE JAW, SK. S6H 6X6

Dear Mr. Tremblay:

Thank you for calling in to the Committee to explain your circumstances.

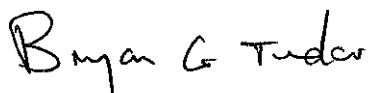
Our decision is to deny your appeal. As noted in the appeal report Policy 15.4.2 bullet point 2 allows for excess shelter to be paid for up to three months where a client requires time to seek alternate accommodations when a rent increase has not occurred. The Ministry allowed that for July, August and September, 2011. Policy 15.4.2 also has a section relating to the Saskatchewan Rental Housing Supplement which states that excess shelter benefits must be reduced by the amount received from the Supplement. Our ruling is that the Ministry has correctly followed this policy.

If you do not agree with this decision you have the right to appeal to the Social Services Appeal Board by writing to the Manager, Service Delivery, at 36 Athabasca Street West, Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, S6H 6V2. This must be **received** within 20 calendar days of the date of this letter. Jurisdiction does not exist in which to hear an appeal outside the 20 day time frame.

The Manager, Service Delivery, also has the right to appeal this decision. The decision of the Provincial Appeal Board is final, unless subsequently appealed and overturned by the Court of Queen's Bench.

Emergency assistance may be available until your appeal hearing. If you need this, please request this in your letter. If you wish to appeal this decision to the Provincial Appeal Board, an allowance may be provided to meet out-of-pocket expenses directly related to attending the hearing (example, travel, babysitting, etc.)

Sincerely,



Bryan Tudor, Chairperson
Regional Appeal Committee

Timothy James Tremblay

#403
430-510 Laurier Street West

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June 27 , 2012

Local Appeal Committee

36 Athabasca Street West

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Appeal Report

Concerning the appeal report I received on June 26 ,2012. Please accept this fax with 18 pages including cover. As due to the floating holiday on June 29, 2012 and July 02, 2012 that there is no time to mail in this report via Canada Post.

I am concerned that in the following circumstances Pat Wilson and Clinton DeMarce in the Appeal Report that I received: That in July, August and September of 2011 that the vacancy rate in Tier C Moose Jaw Saskatchewan was well below 1.5% and has been till present date and according to Ministries Policies I was never advised of seeking alternate accomodations at that time. Also, the only notice I ever received from the Ministry of Social Serivces regarding these circumstances was dated May 28, 2012 from Pat Wilson and it extended that these changes were effective on June 01, 2012. And also the Appeal Report does not clearly identify what errors their were if any and it does not show what current legislation applies. So I am really concerned as to the fairness in which the Government of Saskatchewan applies to a supposedly fair appeal process.

Sincerely,

Timothy James Tremblay

CC. Honorable Premier Brad Wall

Honorable June Draude, Minister of Social Services

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June 8, 2012

Timothy Tremblay
403-510 Laurier St
Moose Jaw SK S6H 6X6

Case # 2581999

Dear Mr. /Ms. Tremblay:

I am pleased to inform you that your application to Saskatchewan Assured Income for Disability (SAID) has been approved. You have been enrolled in SAID.

Please carefully review your cheque stub or deposit notice, which will outline your monthly benefits. If you have any questions, please contact your worker.

SAID has fewer reporting requirements. A review of your circumstances will now take place once every three years. You will no longer have to reconfirm your disability.

Please notify your worker right away if there is a change in your circumstances or significant change in your disability.

If you are receiving Supplementary Health Benefits or the Saskatchewan Rental Housing Supplement, these benefits will continue.

If you have a trustee helping you with your financial affairs, this support will continue. Your move to SAID will not affect the current Trustee Agreement. Your trustee will still be required to provide an accounting of your funds.

Any time a change is made to your benefits, the Ministry is required to advise you of your right to appeal. If you disagree with a decision, please state your concerns in writing to the Manager of Service Delivery at the above address.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your worker.

Welcome to SAID.

Sincerely,

Manager, Income Assistance Service Delivery

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May 28, 2012

Case # 2581999

Timothy Tremblay
#403-510 Laurier Street West
MOOSE JAW, SK. S6H 6X6

Dear Mr. Tremblay:

I have been informed that you are receiving the Saskatchewan Rental Housing Supplement (SRHS). Benefits received through the Saskatchewan Rental Housing Supplement are considered to be a resource for those who are receiving an excess shelter allowance through the Social Assistance Program (SAP). Clients who are receiving both an excess shelter allowance and the housing supplement will, therefore, have their excess shelter allowance reduced by an amount up to or equal to the housing supplement benefit, but never exceeding the amount of the excess shelter allowance provided through SAP.

The amount of the Saskatchewan Rental Housing Supplement received in the current month is used to adjust the SAP excess shelter amount in the following month.

Your shelter allowance will be adjusted as follows:

Shelter Allowance - \$314.00 – single not fully employable.

Your allowance of \$314.00 and SRHS \$179.00 will give you \$493.00 for shelter.

You will have to make up the difference of \$107.00 from your other benefits or look at finding more affordable housing.

This change is effective June 1st, 2012.

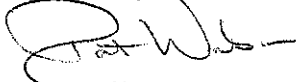
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Timothy Tremblay
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Should you disagree with the decision, you have the right to appeal. Your request for appeal must be received within 30 days from the date of this letter. To appeal, state your concerns in writing to the Unit Administrator at the above address. Senior officials will review your case. If no change is possible, a hearing will be set before a committee outside the department. You can present your concerns at the hearing.

Interim assistance may be available until your appeal hearing. If you need this assistance, please request this in your letter. Expenses for child care and travel to attend an appeal hearing outside your community may also be available.

Sincerely,



Pat Wilson
Supervisor, Income Assistance

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