

**REFERENCE**

**INCOME**

**LIF BUDGETING METHODOLOGY**

**EARNED INCOME DISREGARD**

A full explanation of the Earned Income Disregard is found in the **INCOME LIF BUDGETING METHODOLOGY**.

The earned income disregard is adjusted annually to reflect changes in the poverty level:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Effective June 1, 2004	53%
Effective June 1, 2005	54%
Effective June 1, 2006	55%
Effective June 1, 2007	57%
Effective June 1, 2008	28% *
Effective June 1, 2009	28%

\* The 2008 level is adjusted downward to reflect the substantial increase in the Medicaid Standard.