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SENATE BILL DRS45501-LUa-166A

Short Title: Save SNAP Act.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Chitlik, Lowe, and Grafstein (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
3 SERVICES AND COUNTIES TO COVER THE LOSS OF FEDERAL RECEIPTS FOR
4 THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THE FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION
5 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP), AS A RESULT OF PUBLIC LAW 119-21; AND TO
6 PROVIDE FUNDING FOR A GRANT PROCESS TO REDUCE THE PAYMENT ERROR
7 RATE FOR SNAP.

8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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10 **SNAP ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS FUNDING**

11 **SECTION 1.(a)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
12 Health and Human Services, Division of Central Management and Support, the sum of sixteen
13 million dollars (\$16,000,000) in recurring funds beginning in the 2026-2027 fiscal year. These
14 funds shall be used to cover the loss in federal receipts for the administrative costs of the federal
15 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), as a result of Public Law 119-21. The
16 Department may allocate a portion of these appropriated funds to any division within the
17 Department that incurs a loss of federal receipts for the administrative costs of SNAP as a result
18 of Public Law 119-21. The Department shall only spend the portion of these appropriated funds
19 up to the actual amount of lost federal receipts.

20 **SECTION 1.(b)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
21 Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, the sum of sixty-nine million dollars
22 (\$69,000,000) in recurring funds beginning in the 2026-2027 fiscal year to cover the loss of
23 federal receipts for the administrative costs of the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance
24 Program (SNAP), as a result of Public Law 119-21. The Division of Social Services shall
25 distribute these funds to counties proportional to each county's loss of federal receipts. The
26 Division of Social Services shall only spend the portion of these appropriated funds up to the
27 actual amount of lost federal receipts.

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29 **FUNDS TO EXAMINE ERROR RATE/SNAP**

30 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
31 Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services (Division), the sum of ten million dollars
32 (\$10,000,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2026-2027 fiscal year to develop and implement a
33 request for proposal (RFP) process that provides grants to entities that have innovative proposals
34 or projects to examine ways to reduce the payment error rate regarding the food and nutrition
35 services program. The Division shall establish criteria for grant awards and the maximum
36 amounts for each grant.



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2 **EFFECTIVE DATE**

3 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2026.