

Amendment Offered by Mrs. Cammack of Florida

Brief Summary

Despite businesses, schools, and other public places opening fully, many state welfare agencies have continued to prohibit in-person quality control (QC) interviews of SNAP recipients and applicants. Fraud investigators and agency officials have reported that the lack of in-person interviews have inhibited the ability of agencies to accurately verify recipients and uphold program integrity. These problems have in turn contributed to rising instances of fraud and billions of dollars in wasted taxpayer dollars while benefit levels continue to run at historic highs.

This amendment would repeal the current waiver authority under USDA to end telephonic interviews, require all states to resume face-to-face interviews of benefit recipients, and bring back some semblance of program integrity.

AMENDMENT TO COMMITTEE PRINT OFFERED BY MRS. CAMMACK OF FLORIDA

At the end add the following:

1	SEC. 14002. TERMINATION OF CURRENT WAIVER AUTHOR-
2	ITY APPLICABLE TO REQUIRED SNAP IN-PER-
3	SON INTERVIEWS.
4	Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Food
5	and Nutrition Service of the Department of Agriculture
6	shall not—
7	(1) implement the guidance issued by the Food
8	and Nutrition Service on April 30, 2021, entitled
9	"Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
10	(SNAP) - Extension of SNAP COVID-19 Adminis-
11	trative Flexibilities, May 2021 and Beyond", or
12	(2) issue or implement after the date of the en-
13	actment of this Act any waiver, rule, or guidance
14	substantially similar in substance to the guidance
15	described in paragraph (1).

