

Amendment offered by Congressman Shomari Figures

Amendment description

The amendment would create a hardship exception to ensure that if a state cannot meet the new SNAP cost-share requirement, the federal government covers the difference, so families do not lose access to food and the program does not collapse.

AMENDMENT OFFERED

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At the end of subtitle A of title IV, add the following
(and make such technical and conforming changes as
may be appropriate):

1 SEC. 4114. BENEFIT COST SHIFT FAIRNESS.

2 Section 4(a) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008
3 (7 U.S.C. 2013(a)) is amended—

4 (1) in paragraph (3) by striking “The Sec-
5 retary” by inserting the following:

6 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary”, and
7 (2) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(B) HARDSHIP EXCEPTION.—Notwith-
9 standing subparagraph (A), if a State cannot
10 pay the applicable State cost share in clause (i)
11 for any reason, the Secretary shall pay for the
12 cost of an allotment described in paragraph (1)
13 an amount equal to the difference between—

14 “(i) the cost of the allotment; and

15 “(ii) any amount paid by the State, if
16 applicable.”.

