

Amendment No.

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Amendment Description:

This amendment reinstates the annual U.S. Household Food Security Report at the USDA.

AMENDMENT

OFFERED BY Ms. Adams

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. REINSTITUTING ANNUAL U.S. HOUSEHOLD FOOD
2 SECURITY REPORT.

3 (a) INTERAGENCY FOOD SECURITY MEASUREMENT
4 PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Agriculture, in coordination
5 with the Director of the Census Bureau, shall establish
6 and maintain an interagency food security measurement
7 program to coordinate the annual collection, analysis, and
8 reporting of data on food insecurity and hunger.

9 (b) REPORTING.—

10 (1) POPULATION SURVEY.—The Current Popu-
11 lation Survey conducted by the Bureau of the Cen-
12 sus shall include a food security supplement con-
13 sistent with the questionnaire issued in 2023 that
14 includes the questions described in paragraph (3) for
15 the years 2026 through 2028 and continuing there-
16 after with questions substantially similar to those
17 described in paragraph (3) with any amendments to
18 the questions predicated upon robust testing, and

1 thorough review, public input, and Office of Manage-
2 ment and Budget clearance.

3 (2) AGRICULTURE ANNUAL REPORTS.—The
4 Secretary of Agriculture shall, with respect to the
5 annual report issued pursuant to subsection (a)—

6 (A) include the findings related to the
7 questions described in paragraph (3);

8 (B) make the report publicly available on
9 the website of the Department; and

10 (C) submit such report to Congress.

11 (3) QUESTIONS DESCRIBED.—The questions de-
12 scribed in this paragraph, and to be answered af-
13 firmatively or negatively, are as follows:

14 (A) Was the answer often, sometimes, or
15 never true for you in the last 12 months for
16 each of the following:

17 (i) We worried whether our food
18 would run out before we got money to buy
19 more.

20 (ii) The food that we bought just
21 didn't last and we didn't have money to
22 get more.

23 (iii) We couldn't afford to eat bal-
24 anced meals.

1 (B) In the last 12 months, did you or
2 other adults in the household ever cut the size
3 of your meals or skip meals because there
4 wasn't enough money for food?

5 (C) If the answer is yes with respect to
6 subparagraph (B), how often did this happen—
7 almost every month, some months but not every
8 month, or in only 1 or 2 months?

9 (D) In the last 12 months, did you ever
10 eat less than you felt you should because there
11 wasn't enough money for food?

12 (E) In the last 12 months, were you ever
13 hungry, but didn't eat, because there wasn't
14 enough money for food?

15 (F) In the last 12 months, did you lose
16 weight because there wasn't enough money for
17 food?

18 (G) In the last 12 months, did you or
19 other adults in your household ever not eat for
20 a whole day because there wasn't enough money
21 for food?

22 (H) If the answer is yes to subparagraph
23 (G), how often did this happen—almost every
24 month, some months but not every month, or in
25 only 1 or 2 months?

1 (I) In the case of a household that includes
2 children ages 0 to 17, the following additional
3 questions:

4 (i) Was the answer often, sometimes,
5 or never true for you in the last 12 months
6 for each of the following:

7 (I) We relied on only a few kinds
8 of low-cost food to feed our children
9 because we were running out of
10 money to buy food.

11 (II) We couldn't feed our chil-
12 dren a balanced meal, because we
13 couldn't afford that.

14 (III) The children were not eat-
15 ing enough because there wasn't
16 enough money for food.

17 (ii) In the last 12 months, did you
18 ever cut the size of any of the children's
19 meals because there wasn't enough money
20 for food?

21 (iii) In the last 12 months, were the
22 children ever hungry because there wasn't
23 enough money for food?

1 (iv) In the last 12 months, did any of
2 the children ever skip a meal because there
3 wasn't enough money for food?

4 (v) If the answer is yes to clause (iv),
5 how often did this happen—almost every
6 month, some months but not every month,
7 or in only 1 or 2 months?

8 (vi) In the last 12 months, did any of
9 the children ever not eat for a whole day
10 because there wasn't enough money for
11 food?

12 (c) FUNDING.—

13 (1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—
14 There are authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-
15 retary of Agriculture such sums as may be necessary
16 to carry out this section.

17 (2) TRANSFER.—Of the funds appropriated
18 under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Agriculture
19 shall provide funding for the costs incurred by the
20 Census Bureau in conducting the annual food secu-
21 rity supplement.

