

Amendment No.

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Amendment Description:

This amendment lifts the three-month time limit on the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) program.

AMENDMENT

OFFERED BY MS. ADAMS OF NORTH CAROLINA

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. IMPROVING ACCESS TO NUTRITION.**

2 (a) FINDINGS.—The Congress makes the following
3 findings:

4 (1) SNAP helps restore access to healthy food,
5 improves overall health, and reduces poverty. SNAP
6 participation is also associated with educational ad-
7 vancement of children in poverty and improvements
8 in math and reading scores.

9 (2) SNAP has a proven record of effectiveness
10 in promoting food security and health as well as in
11 providing economic stimulus. Each \$1 in SNAP ben-
12 efits during a downturn generates between \$1.50
13 and \$1.80 in economic activity.

14 (3) Studies have also demonstrated that work
15 requirements do not reduce poverty.

16 (4) About 6.1 million individuals are subject to
17 SNAP work requirements and are at risk of losing
18 critical food assistance if they cannot comply.

1 (5) Some live in households with school-aged
2 children where benefit reductions or terminations
3 could jeopardize children’s health, development, and
4 future success.

5 (6) Children in poverty also often depend on
6 pooled resources (including SNAP benefits) from ex-
7 tended family members who do not claim them as
8 dependents.

9 (7) Studies show that health impediments are a
10 primary cause of why many SNAP recipients are un-
11 able to meet a work requirement.

12 (8) Work requirements also cause an increase
13 in the administrative bureaucracy, which some stud-
14 ies have shown, cause a significant reduction in
15 SNAP participation.

16 (9) Studies show that Black Americans are par-
17 ticularly vulnerable and are most likely to face re-
18 cent unemployment and work requirements would
19 disproportionately prevent Black people from having
20 access to this important benefit.

21 (10) Families experiencing homelessness are
22 most likely to leave programs like SNAP when there
23 is a work requirement, thereby increasing their vul-
24 nerability.

25 (b) AMENDMENTS.—

1 (1) WORK REQUIREMENT.—Section 6 of the
2 Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2015) is
3 amended—

4 (A) in subsections (d)(4)(B)(ii)(I)(bb),
5 (d)(4)(N)(iii)(I)(bb), (d)(4)(N)(iv)(II), and
6 (d)(4)(N)(v)(IV) by striking “or subsection
7 (o)”, and

8 (B) by striking subsection (o).

9 (2) ADDITIONAL ALLOCATIONS FOR STATES
10 THAT ENSURE AVAILABILITY OF WORK OPPORTUNI-
11 TIES.—Section 16(h)(1) of the Food and Nutrition
12 Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2025(h)(1)) is amended by
13 striking subparagraph (E).

14 (3) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—

15 (A) Section 7(i)(1) of the Food and Nutri-
16 tion Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2016(i)(1)) is
17 amended by striking “section 6(o)(2) of this
18 Act or”.

19 (B) Section 16(h) of the Food and Nutri-
20 tion Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2025(h)) is amend-
21 ed—

22 (i) in paragraph (1)—

23 (I) in subparagraph (B)—

1 (aa) by striking “that—”
2 and all that follows through
3 “(I)”, and

4 (bb) by striking “; and” and
5 all that follows through “6(o)”,
6 and

7 (II) in subparagraph
8 (F)(ii)(III)(ee)(AA) by striking “, in-
9 dividuals subject to the requirements
10 under section 6(o),”, and

11 (ii) in paragraph (5)(C)—

12 (I) in clause (ii) by inserting
13 “and” at the end, and

14 (II) in clause (iii) by striking “;
15 and” and all that follows through
16 “appropriate”.

17 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

18 (1) INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.—Section
19 51(d)(8)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of
20 1986 (26 U.S.C. 51(d)(8)(A)(ii)) is amended—

21 (A) by striking “family—” and all that fol-
22 lows through “(I)” and inserting “family”, and

23 (B) by striking “, or” and all that follows
24 through “of 2008”.

1 (2) WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPOR-
2 TUNITY ACT.—The Workforce Innovation and Op-
3 portunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3101 et seq.) is amend-
4 ed—

5 (A) in section 103(a)(2) by striking sub-
6 paragraph (D), and

7 (B) in section 121(b)(2)(B) by striking
8 clause (iv).

9 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION OF AMEND-
10 MENTS.—

11 (1) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Except as provided in
12 subsection (b), this section and the amendments
13 made by this section shall take effect 180 days after
14 the date of enactment of the Farm, Food, and Na-
15 tional Security Act of 2026.

16 (2) APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS.—

17 (A) The amendments made by subsection
18 (b) shall not apply with respect to an allotment
19 issued under the Food and Nutrition Act of
20 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) before the effec-
21 tive date of the Farm, Food, and National Se-
22 curity Act of 2026.

23 (B) The amendments made by subsection
24 (c)(1) shall not apply to individuals hired before

1 the expiration of the 90-day period that begins
2 on the effective date of this section.

