

Amendment Offered by Mrs. Cammack of Florida

Brief Summary

The recent reevaluation of the thrifty food plan was done by the current Administration using faulty, inaccurate data meant to achieve a predetermined outcome that would further expand benefits. This amendment would:

- Require the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to complete an investigation into the process by which the thrifty food plan was reevaluated.
- Prevent any changes to SNAP benefit allotments based on the reevaluated thrifty food plan until the GAO's investigation is completed.

AMENDMENT TO COMMITTEE PRINT
OFFERED BY MRS. CAMMACK OF FLORIDA

Add the following at the end:

1 SEC. 14002. REEVALUATION OF SNAP MARKET BASKETS.

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—No reevaluation of the market
3 baskets of the thrifty food plan pursuant to section 3(u)
4 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012(u))
5 may serve as the basis for supplemental nutrition assist-
6 ance program household allotments until completion of the
7 investigation required in subsection (b) and not earlier
8 than 60 days after submission of the report as required
9 by subsection (c).

10 (b) INVESTIGATION.—The Comptroller General of the
11 United States shall conduct an investigation of the process
12 by which the market baskets of the thrifty food plan are
13 being reevaluated by reviewing—

- 14 (1) data, methods, and modeling;
15 (2) inputs and constraints including cost;
16 (3) consumption patterns;
17 (4) measures of time and effort;
18 (5) contents of the proposed market basket;
19 (6) the mathematical optimization model; and

1 (7) how the process compares to previous re-
2 evaluations.

3 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
4 of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the
5 United States shall prepare, and submit to the Committee
6 on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the
7 Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the
8 Senate, a report that contains the findings of the inves-
9 tigation conducted under subsection (b).

