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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2178

5 By: Representative McCollum  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO PRESERVE RESOURCES FOR TRULY NEEDY  
9 ARKANSANS AND PROMOTE INDEPENDENCE; TO ADOPT THE  
10 FEDERAL RESOURCE LIMITS FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
11 NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP); AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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16 TO ADOPT THE FEDERAL RESOURCE LIMITS FOR  
17 THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE  
18 PROGRAM (SNAP).  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 76, Subchapter 1, is*  
24 *amended to add an additional section to read as follows:*

25 20-76-114. Federal resource limits for the Supplemental Nutrition  
26 Assistance Program (SNAP).

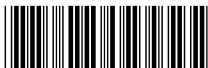
27 (a) Unless required by federal law:

28 (1) The resource limit standards of the Supplemental Nutrition  
29 Assistance Program (SNAP) shall not exceed the standards specified in 7  
30 U.S.C. § 2014(g)(1); and

31 (2) Categorical eligibility that exempts households from the  
32 federal resource limit standards shall not be granted for any noncash, in-  
33 kind, or other benefit.

34 (b) Unless required by federal law, the Department of Human Services  
35 shall not:

36 (1) Apply gross income standards for food assistance higher than



1 the standards specified in 7 U.S.C. § 2014(c); or  
2 (2) Grant categorical eligibility that exempts households from  
3 the gross income standard under subdivision (b)(1) of this section for any  
4 non-cash, in-kind, or other benefit.

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