

ARKANSAS SENATE
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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1035

TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS HEALTHY FOOD IMPROVEMENT ACT.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1035

Amend House Bill No. 1035 as engrossed, H1/25/17 (version: 01/25/2017 9:32:10 AM):

Page 1, delete lines 12 through 14, and substitute the following:
"AN ACT TO RESTRICT PURCHASES USING FOOD STAMP BENEFITS; TO REQUIRE
RECIPIENTS OF FOOD STAMPS TO SHOW IDENTIFICATION TO USE FOOD STAMP BENEFITS;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO RESTRICT PURCHASES USING FOOD STAMP
BENEFITS; AND TO REQUIRE RECIPIENTS OF
FOOD STAMPS TO SHOW IDENTIFICATION TO
USE FOOD STAMP BENEFITS."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 8 through 33, and substitute the following:
"amended to add additional sections to read as follows:

20-76-216. Use of food stamps for food and food products.

(a)(1) As used in this section, "food" and "food products" mean substances, whether in liquid, concentrated, solid, frozen, dried, or dehydrated form, that are sold for ingestion or chewing by humans and are consumed for their taste or nutritional value.

(2) "Food" and "food products" include prepared protein.

(3) "Food" and "food products" do not include candy, soft drinks, alcoholic beverages, tobacco, energy drinks, or dietary supplements.

(b) The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly known as the food stamp program, shall allow benefits to be used only for food and food products.

(c) The Department of Human Services shall prohibit the use of benefits under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly known as the food stamp program, for items that do not meet the definition of "food" and "food products" under subsection (a) of this section.



(d) The Department of Human Services shall request a waiver from the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture to allow the implementation of this section.

20-76-217. Identification required to use food stamps benefits.

The Department of Human Services shall request a waiver from the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture to:

(1) Require recipients of benefits within the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly known as the food stamp program, to:

(A) Show identification before using benefits on an electronic benefit transfer system card; and

(B) Sign a paper card or form to authorize up to three (3) other individuals within the household to use the electronic benefit transfer system card of the recipient; and

(2) Require a vendor to request a form of identification before using benefits on an electronic benefit transfer system card, including without limitation:

(A) A driver's license;

(B) A birth certificate or similar document;

(C) A work or school identification card;

(D) An identification card for health benefits or other assistance;

(E) A voter registration card;

(F) A paycheck stub containing the name of the person; or

(G) Other documents that reasonably establish the identification of the person."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator Bledsoe

By: Representative Bentley

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