## A-Engrossed Senate Bill 865

Ordered by the Senate May 9 Including Senate Amendments dated May 9

Sponsored by Senator METSGER; Senator MORRISETTE

## **SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Directs Department of Human Services, after application for and approval of federal waiver, and after approval of federal funding, to disregard amount of annual cost-of-living adjustment for monthly Social Security and Supplemental Security Income benefits when determining financial eligibility for food stamp benefits.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

2	Relating to food stamp benefits; and declaring an emergency.
3	Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2007 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 411.806 to 411.845.

SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Human Services shall seek approval from the United States Department of Agriculture under 7 U.S.C. 2026 to disregard the amount of the annual cost-of-living adjustment for Social Security benefits and for Supplemental Security Income benefits in determining eligibility for food stamp benefits.

(2) Upon receipt of federal approval to disregard the cost-of-living adjustment for Social Security benefits or Supplemental Security Income benefits and approval of federal funding, the department shall immediately adopt temporary rules consistent with the federal approval.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> The Department of Human Services shall annually renew an application approved by the United States Department of Agriculture under section 2 of this 2007 Act.

<u>SECTION 4.</u> The Department of Human Services shall submit the request for approval under section 2 of this 2007 Act no later than October 1, 2007.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect on its passage.

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