

# Senate Bill 865

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 **as introduced**.

Directs Department of Human Services, after application for and approval of federal waiver, 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.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to food stamp benefits; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2007 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 411.806 to**  
5 **411.845.**

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

10 **(2) Upon receipt of federal approval to disregard the cost-of-living adjustment for Social**  
11 **Security benefits or Supplemental Security Income benefits, the department shall imme-**  
12 **diately adopt temporary rules consistent with the federal approval.**

13 **SECTION 3. The Department of Human Services shall annually renew an application ap-**  
14 **proved by the United States Department of Agriculture under section 2 of this 2007 Act.**

15 **SECTION 4. The Department of Human Services shall submit the request for approval**  
16 **under section 2 of this 2007 Act no later than October 1, 2007.**

17 **SECTION 5. This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
18 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect**  
19 **on its passage.**

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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.