

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass With Amendments to the A-Engrossed Measure to Resolve Conflicts
and Be Printed B-Engrossed

Vote: 3 - 2 - 0

Yeas: Monnes Anderson, Verger, Morrisette

Nays: Kruse, Telfer

Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 5/4, 5/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Changes the name of the Food Stamp Program and definition of food stamp plan to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program in accordance with federal statutory changes. Updates references to the Food Stamp Act of 1977 to the Food and Nutrition Act. Allows for program beneficiaries to receive benefits as a check or direct deposit rather than a debit card.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Repercussions if name of program remained unchanged
- Survey taken by department on potential program names
- Size and audience of survey

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Resolves conflicts with SB 581.

BACKGROUND: In 2008, Congress changed the names of the Food Stamp Program to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. House Bill 2124-B brings state statutes into alignment with federal statutes in an effort to prevent public confusion.