## House Bill 3274

Sponsored by Representative PARRISH; Representatives CONGER, FREDERICK, FREEMAN, GILLIAM, GREENLICK, KENNEMER, MCLANE, SHEEHAN, THOMPSON, WEIDNER, WINGARD

## **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.** 

Requires Department of Human Services to operate pilot program, subject to approval by United States Department of Agriculture, to prohibit purchase of foods of minimal nutritional value using Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to foods of minimal nutritional value; and declaring an emergency.
  - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
  - SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "foods of minimal nutritional value" has the meaning given that term in 7 C.F.R. 210.11 and Appendix B to 7 C.F.R. part 210.
  - (2) Subject to the approval of the United States Department of Agriculture under 7 U.S.C. 2026 or other appropriate legal authority, the Department of Human Services shall operate a four-year pilot program in which recipients of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits are prohibited from using the benefits to purchase foods of minimal nutritional value.
  - SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Human Services shall submit to the United States Department of Agriculture a request for approval of the pilot program described in section 1 of this 2011 Act no later than 90 days after the effective date of this 2011 Act.
  - (2) The Department of Human Services shall report to the Legislative Assembly, during the 2012 regular legislative session, on the status of the request for approval and, if approval has been granted, the status of the pilot project.
  - <u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect on its passage.

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