House Bill 2779

Sponsored by Representative PARRISH (Presession filed.)

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 project, subject to approval by United States Department of Agriculture, to select recipients of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits to participate in shopping and nutrition education program.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to nutrition; and declaring an emergency.

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- Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. Subject to the approval of the United States Department of Agriculture under 7 U.S.C. 2026, the Department of Human Services shall operate a statewide pilot project in which adult recipients of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits are selected to participate in a shopping and nutrition education program. The project shall be designed to educate recipients about managing their program benefits in order to save money and improve their health.
 - SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Human Services shall submit to the United States Department of Agriculture a request for approval to operate the pilot project described in section 1 of this 2015 Act no later than 90 days after the effective date of this 2015 Act.
 - (2) Until the date that the request for approval is granted or denied, the Department of Human Services shall report to the Legislative Assembly during each regular legislative session on the status of the request for approval.
 - (3) The Department of Human Services shall report to the Legislative Assembly during the legislative session next following the date of approval on the implementation of the pilot project.
 - (4) The Department of Human Services shall notify the Office of Legislative Counsel, in writing, within 30 days of the denial of the request by the United States Department of Agriculture.
 - SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on the date the Department of Human Services notifies the Office of Legislative Counsel that the United States Department of Agriculture has denied the department's request to operate the pilot project described in section 1 of this 2015 Act.
 - SECTION 4. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect on its passage.

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