

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 4088

By COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

February 14

1 Delete lines 4 through 20 of the printed bill and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Human Services shall convene a work group to ad-**
3 **vide the department on a plan to implement a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program**
4 **Restaurant Meals Program in this state that will allow Supplemental Nutrition Assistance**
5 **Program recipients to use their electronic benefit cards at participating restaurants if they**
6 **are:**

7 **“(a) Seniors;**

8 **“(b) Persons with disabilities; or**

9 **“(c) Homeless individuals.**

10 **“(2) The work group shall consist of individuals representing the geographic and racial**
11 **or ethnic diversity of this state who have:**

12 **“(a) Expertise in food insecurity.**

13 **“(b) Personal experience receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits.**

14 **“(c) Experience in the restaurant industry.**

15 **“(d) Personal or professional experience in working with seniors, persons with disabilities**
16 **and homeless individuals.**

17 **“(3) The department shall solicit public feedback on the plan developed under subsection**
18 **(1) of this section and ensure that the department receives feedback from an equity per-**
19 **spective.**

20 **“(4) No later than January 31, 2023, the department shall report to the interim commit-**
21 **tees of the Legislative Assembly related to human services, in the manner provided in ORS**
22 **192.245, the department’s implementation plan for a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Pro-**
23 **gram Restaurant Meals Program. The implementation plan must include, but is not limited**
24 **to, recommendations for an evaluation of the program to examine:**

25 **“(a) Access to the program;**

26 **“(b) The efficacy of the program in allowing participants to obtain restaurant meals; and**

27 **“(c) The cost of the program.”.**

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