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Subject: Healthy Food Retail Act

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Provides relative to the Healthy Food Retail Act

Present law authorizes the Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) to establish a financing program that provides grants and loans to healthy food retailers that increase access to fresh fruits and vegetables in underserved communities. Current law stipulates that the program is effective only to the extent LDAF has funds available. This effectiveness provision is removed in proposed law. Additionally, allows eligible projects to receive funding more than once.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW					
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. The Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) previously funded this program through federal grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grants received from the Louisiana Office of Community Development. This funding is no longer available as of September 2023. To continue the program in FY 25 and beyond, LDAF would require an alternative source of funding or a specific appropriation by the legislature.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>	House	James Mamors
13.5.1 >=	\$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}		(3 43 1
13.5.2 >=	\$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee	6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase	Patrice Thomas Deputy Fiscal Officer