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Requires legislative authorization for any waiver of SNAP work requirements for able-bodied adults without dependents

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) receive approval by the both the House and Senate Health & Welfare committees before submitting a waiver of federal regulations regarding work requirement for able-bodied adults without dependents in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as food stamps). Under the proposed law, approval by a legislative committee of a waiver application may be by favorable voice vote of a simple majority of the committee's membership at a meeting of the committee, or by mail ballot. <u>Proposed law</u> requires that within 30 days of the effective date of <u>proposed law</u>, the secretary of DCFS shall take all such actions as are necessary to revoke, terminate, or otherwise render null and without effect any waiver of work requirements for able-bodied adults without dependents receiving SNAP benefits in effect on the effective date of <u>proposed law</u>.

EXPENDITURES	2016-17	<u>2017-18</u>	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW					
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	SEE BELOW					
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total						
REVENUES	<u>2016-17</u>	2017-18	<u>2018-19</u>	2019-20	2020-21	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
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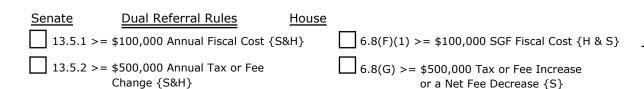
EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation requires the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) to have legislative approval before submitting a waiver application of federal regulations for non-working able-bodied adults without dependents (ABAWDs) receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits. In addition, the proposed legislation removes all existing federal waivers for ABAWDs within 30 days of this measure becoming effective.

If the ABAWD waiver expires, the department would have to mail notification letters to approximately 63,855 SNAP recipients at a cost of \$26,500 ($63,855 \times 41.5$ cents pre-sorted rate) indicating the minimum work requirements of the program. Also, DCFS would have to change the programming of the eligibility software to require redeterminations at 3-month time intervals instead of current programming of verifications at 6-month time intervals. One-time programming changes are estimated to cost \$87,000. All SNAP administrative costs are funded with 50% SGF and 50% Federal matching funds. Under this scenario, the potential state impact would be \$56,750 ($$26,500 + $87,000 = $113,500 \times 50\%$ state match).

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure. While DCFS receives reimbursement for administering the SNAP program, the federal Food and Nutrition Services pays 100% of SNAP benefits.



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