

Revised to include provisions of AM 1176

FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2025-26		FY 2026-27	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.

This bill would expand eligibility for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) to any person convicted of a felony involving the possession, use or distribution of a controlled substance if the person has completed their sentence for the felony offense or is on parole, probation or post-release supervision for the felony. If an individual has had three or more felony drug offenses then in order to qualify for SNAP the individual must be participating in or have completed a nationally accredited substance abuse treatment program or receive a determination that such treatment is not required since the date of the most recent conviction.

In the last three years, 1,056 cases were denied or closed due to drug felonies. DHHS indicates 75% of ineligible members are part of an existing SNAP household. As such, 792 ineligible people may potentially need to be added on to an existing household. DHHS estimates an increase of up to 158 participants annually.

At this time, SNAP benefits are paid with 100% federal funds and administrative expenses are 50% federally funded and 50% state funded. System updates and any additional volume of work can be handled within existing agency resources.