A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- SECTION 1. (a) The department of human services shall
 establish a three-year pilot program to educate and assist
 persons in submitting applications to receive benefits from the
- (b) The pilot program shall include performance-basedincentive payments to organizations that assist persons in
- 7 submitting supplemental nutrition assistance program

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8 applications, including:

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- 9 (1) Pre-screening applicants;
- 10 (2) Completing application forms;
- (3) Gathering necessary supporting documentation forapplications; and
- (4) Delivering applications to the department of humanservices for processing, if needed.
- 15 (c) The department of human services shall allow
 16 supplemental nutrition assistance program applications to be
 17 submitted online, including the submission of supporting



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- 1 documents, as necessary. The pilot program shall include a
- 2 monetary incentive for organizations that assist applicants who
- 3 properly submit a supplemental nutrition assistance program
- 4 application online and are subsequently approved to receive
- 5 benefits from the program.
- 6 (d) The department of human services may adopt rules in
- 7 accordance with chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to
- 8 implement this Act.
- 9 SECTION 2. The department of human services shall submit
- 10 an annual report on the pilot program, including:
- 11 (1) The organizations used to process applications;
- 12 (2) The number of applications processed by organizations;
- 13 (3) The amount of performance-based incentive payments
- made to organizations;
- 15 (4) The number of supplemental nutrition assistance
- 16 program applications submitted online;
- 17 (5) Program enrollment;
- 18 (6) Quality standards;
- 19 (7) Rules adopted;
- 20 (8) Data collected;
- 21 (9) Program evaluations; and



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- 1 (10) Any proposed legislation;
- 2 to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the
- 3 convening of the regular sessions of 2016, 2017, and 2018.
- 4 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 6 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 and
- 7 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
- 8 year 2016-2017 for the purposes of this Act.
- 9 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 10 of human services for the purposes of this Act.
- 11 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015; and
- 12 shall be repealed on June 30, 2018.

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Report Title:

Pilot Program; Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes a 3-year pilot program for organizations to assist applicants for supplemental nutrition assistance program. Creates an incentive to submit applications online. Appropriates moneys for the pilot program.

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