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A senate RESOLUTION

To urge congress to EITHER extend the deadline for the notice of intent for the 2024 summer ebt program OR WAIVE THE DEADLINE TO PERMIT STATES TO SUBMIT A NOTICE OF INTENT AFTER JANUARY 1, 2024.

Whereas, Congress, in its 2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act, established the Summer Electronic Benefit and Transfer Program for Children, also known as the “Summer EBT Program”; and

Whereas, the Summer EBT Program is to be administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service, and is based upon the USDA’s demonstration projects which have been proven to reduce child hunger; and

Whereas, the Summer EBT Program will permit families to receive forty dollars per month for each eligible child to buy groceries during the summer months when school is out; and

Whereas, states interested in utilizing the 2024 Summer EBT Program were to submit a Notice of Intent by January 1, 2024; and

Whereas, South Carolina did not submit a Notice of Intent by the January 1, 2024, deadline, which will result in South Carolinians not being able to take advantage of the 2024 Summer EBT Program. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, urge Congress to either extend the deadline for the Notice of Intent for the 2024 Summer EBT Program or waive the deadline to permit states to submit a Notice of Intent after January 1, 2024.

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