

SENATE BILL 758

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CF HB 445

By: ~~Senators Madaleno, Benson, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Manno, Pugh, and Raskin~~ Raskin, Middleton, Astle, Kelley, Feldman, Mathias, Jennings, Hershey, and Klausmeier

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Food Stamp Program – Minimum Benefit – State Supplement**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the State to provide a certain supplement to a certain
4 household that receives a federally funded benefit of less than a certain amount per
5 month under the food stamp program; and generally relating to the food stamp
6 program.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

8 Article – Human Services

9 Section 5–501

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

13 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article – Human Services**

15 5–501.

16 (a) The Department may implement a food stamp program in accordance with the
17 federal Food Stamp Act.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (b) The State shall bear the nonfederal portion of the administrative costs of the
2 food stamp program for each county.

3 (c) Each local department shall administer the food stamp program:

4 (1) under the supervision and control of the Department; and

5 (2) in accordance with the regulations of the Department and federal law.

6 (D) **IF A HOUSEHOLD THAT CONSISTS OF ONE INDIVIDUAL WHO IS AT LEAST**
7 **62 YEARS OLD RECEIVES A FEDERALLY FUNDED BENEFIT IN AN AMOUNT LESS THAN**
8 **\$30 PER MONTH UNDER THE FOOD STAMP PROGRAM, THE STATE SHALL PROVIDE A**
9 **SUPPLEMENT TO INCREASE THE TOTAL BENEFIT TO \$30 PER MONTH.**

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 October 1, 2016.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.