

Chapter 370

(House Bill 538)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Human Services – Federal Commodity Supplemental Food Program – Administration

FOR the purpose of requiring the Family Investment Administration in the Department of Human Services to be the central coordinating and directing agency of the federal Commodity Supplemental Food Program using certain funds and resources; repealing the requirement that the Secretary of Aging administer the Program; and generally relating to the federal Commodity Supplemental Food Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Human Services

Section 5–205(a) and 10–204(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2019 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Human Services

5–205.

(a) The Administration shall be the central coordinating and directing agency of all public assistance programs in the State, including:

- (1) the Family Investment Program and related cash benefit programs;
- (2) public assistance to adults;
- (3) emergency assistance;
- (4) food stamps;
- (5) medical assistance eligibility determinations;
- (6) the Energy Assistance Program;
- (7) the Temporary Disability Assistance Program; [and]

(8) THE FEDERAL COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM WITH FUNDS AND RESOURCES RECEIVED FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE UNDER 7 C.F.R. 247; AND

[(8)] (9) any other public assistance activities financed wholly or partly by the Administration.

10–204.

(a) The Secretary shall administer[:

(1)] the programs and activities that the federal government delegates to the State under the Older Americans Act of 1965 that are not otherwise committed by law to another unit of State government[; and

(2) the federal Commodity Supplemental Food Program with funds and resources received from the United States Department of Agriculture under 7 C.F.R. 247].

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2025.

Approved by the Governor, May 6, 2025.