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SNAP; prohibited purchases; waiver

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HOUSE BILL 2165

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 46, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 46-232; RELATING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 46, chapter 2, article 2, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 46-232, to read:

4 46-232. Use of supplemental nutrition assistance benefits;
5 prohibited purchases; waiver; definition

6 A. THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY SHALL
7 REQUEST A WAIVER FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO
8 EXCLUDE SODA FROM THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. IF THE
9 WAIVER IS GRANTED, THE DIRECTOR SHALL PROHIBIT ENROLLEES IN THE
10 SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FROM PURCHASING SODA USING
11 PROGRAM BENEFITS. IF THE WAIVER IS NOT GRANTED, THE DIRECTOR SHALL
12 REQUEST A WAIVER ANNUALLY UNTIL THE WAIVER IS GRANTED.

13 B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "SODA" MEANS A CARBONATED
14 BEVERAGE THAT CONTAINS MORE THAN ONE GRAM OF ADDED SUGAR OR ANY ARTIFICIAL
15 SWEETENER.