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Introduced by
Representatives Hernandez A: Austin, Biasiucci, Liguori; Senator Gonzales

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 46, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 46-232; APPROPRIATING MONIES; 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. Emergency food assistance fund; supplemental
5 nutrition assistance program; federal government
6 shutdown; temporary monies
7 A. THE EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE FUND IS ESTABLISHED CONSISTING OF
8 LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.
9 MONIES IN THE FUND ARE CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED AND ARE EXEMPT FROM THE
10 PROVISIONS OF SECTION 35-190 RELATING TO LAPSING OF APPROPRIATIONS.
11 B. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE MONIES FROM THE FUND FOR THE PURPOSES
12 OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ONLY WHEN THE FEDERAL
13 GOVERNMENT IS SHUTDOWN OR OTHERWISE UNABLE TO PROVIDE MONIES FOR THE
14 SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND MAY ALSO USE MONIES FROM THE
15 FUND TO PROVIDE:
16 1. TEMPORARY FOOD VOUCHERS, ELECTRONIC BENEFITS OR DIRECT
17 ASSISTANCE TO HOUSEHOLDS THAT ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL
18 NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.
19 2. GRANTS TO GOOD BANKS, FOOD PANTRIES AND COMMUNITY-BASED HUNGER
20 RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS TO EXPAND EMERGENCY FOOD DISTRIBUTION.
21 Sec. 2. Appropriation; emergency food assistance fund
22 The sum of \$5,000,000 is appropriated from the state general fund in
23 fiscal year 2026-2027 to the emergency food assistance fund established by
24 section 46-232, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act.