

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 1111

By: Pogemiller, Schreiber, Pae,
Lawson, Deck, Munson, and
Hefner of the House

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4 and

5 Coleman of the Senate

6 [poor persons - Department of Human Services -
7 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program -
8 individual requirements - eligibility - standards -
9 deductions - request - households - amounts - term
10 - restriction - codification - effective date]
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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 241.5 of Title 56, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. The Department of Human Services shall develop and implement
18 simplified certification and recertification requirements for
19 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits for an
20 individual who:

21 1. Is sixty (60) years of age or older or is a person with a
22 disability, as determined by Department rule;

23 2. Has no earned income; and
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1 3. Resides in a household in which every individual residing in
2 the household is sixty (60) years of age or older or is a person
3 with a disability, as determined by Department rule.

4 B. The simplified requirements must:

5 1. Allow an individual described by this section to waive
6 recertification requirements;

7 2. Simplify and reduce the number of verification requirements
8 for certifying and recertifying the eligibility to receive benefits,
9 which must include the use of a shortened application form; and

10 3. Allow the individual to remain eligible for benefits for
11 thirty-six (36) months after recertification and after each
12 recertification.

13 C. An individual described by this section is required to
14 report to the Department, in accordance with federal law, when the
15 individual receives an increase in income.

16 D. The Department shall, in manner that complies with federal
17 law, use data matching to inform eligible individuals.

18 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 241.6 of Title 56, unless there
20 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 A. For purposes of determining eligibility and benefit amounts
22 under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), an
23 increase in the standard medical deduction is established for
24 households with elderly or disabled individuals as follows:

1 1. The increased medical deduction applies to households with
2 elderly individuals, who are sixty (60) years of age or older, or
3 disabled individuals who are applicants for or recipients of SNAP
4 benefits; and

5 2. The deduction is available to households that incur medical
6 expenses during the taxable year for the elderly or disabled
7 individuals of the household.

8 B. The Department of Human Services shall establish a standard
9 medical expense deduction for households with verified out-of-pocket
10 medical expenses that meet eligibility criteria under SNAP.

11 1. The standard medical expense deduction shall be set at a
12 value determined by the Department in accordance with federal
13 guidelines and requirements for cost neutrality to the Food and
14 Nutrition Services of the United States Department of Agriculture.
15 The established standard medical expense deduction shall be no less
16 than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to ensure meaningful benefit to
17 eligible households while maintaining compliance with waiver
18 approval criteria.

19 2. The Department shall submit a request to the Food and
20 Nutrition Services of the United States Department of Agriculture
21 for a waiver to implement the standard medical expense deduction by
22 January 1, 2026.

23 C. For purposes of this section, "qualified medical expenses"
24 shall include, but not be limited to, expenses for prescription

1 medications, doctor's visits, medical supplies, and other costs that
2 meet the definition of medical expenses under federal or state law
3 as applicable to public assistance programs.

4 D. The deduction under this section shall not exceed the
5 amounts specified in subsection B of this section. Any portion of
6 the medical deduction not used in the current fiscal year shall not
7 be carried over to the next year.

8 E. The provisions of this section shall apply to all
9 applications and recertifications for SNAP benefits filed on or
10 after November 1, 2025, and shall be implemented in accordance with
11 the regulations set forth by the Department of Human Services.

12 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

13 Passed the House of Representatives the 24th day of March, 2025.

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Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

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18 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2025.

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