

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 747

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE PERKINS.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 208, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the supplemental nutrition assistance program.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 208, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 208.246, to read as follows:

**208.246. 1. In order to be eligible to participate in the supplemental nutrition  
2 assistance program (SNAP), an individual shall comply with the work requirements  
3 described in 7 U.S.C. Section 2015(d) and 7 CFR 273.7 unless such individual is  
4 otherwise exempt from such requirements under 7 U.S.C. Section 2015(d)(2) and 7 CFR  
5 273.7(b).**

**6 2. A nonexempt individual who refuses or fails without good cause, as such term  
7 is described in 7 CFR 273.7, to comply with the program's work requirements shall be  
8 ineligible to participate in the program for the duration of the disqualification period  
9 and shall be considered an ineligible household member. The disqualification period  
10 shall be as follows:**

**11 (1) For the first occurrence of noncompliance, the individual shall be  
12 disqualified for three months;**

**13 (2) For the second occurrence of noncompliance, the individual shall be  
14 disqualified for six months; and**

**15 (3) For the third occurrence of noncompliance, the individual shall be  
16 disqualified permanently.**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

17           **3. Except in cases of permanent disqualification, an individual may resume**  
18 **participation in the program at the end of a disqualification period if the individual**  
19 **applies again and is in compliance with the program's work requirements. A**  
20 **disqualified individual may be permitted to resume participation during the**  
21 **disqualification period by becoming exempt from the program's work requirements.**

22           **4. An individual disqualified under the provisions of this section shall be entitled**  
23 **to a fair hearing under 7 CFR 273.7(f) and section 208.080.**

24           **5. The department of social services may promulgate rules and regulations to**  
25 **implement the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is**  
26 **defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section**  
27 **shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of**  
28 **chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are**  
29 **nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to**  
30 **chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are**  
31 **subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule**  
32 **proposed or adopted after August 28, 2023, shall be invalid and void.**

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