

HB 1026 -- RESTAURANT MEALS PROGRAM

SPONSOR: Smith (155)

This bill requires the Department of Social Services to establish a "Restaurant Meals Program" as part of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Under this program, households containing certain elderly, disabled, or homeless individuals shall have the option, in accordance with federal law, to redeem their SNAP benefits at private establishments that contract with the Department to offer meals, including hot food and meals intended for immediate consumption, for eligible persons at concessional prices.

This bill is similar to SB 313 and HB 865 (2023).