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Abstract: Removes funding limitations on the financing program and project funding provided in the Healthy Food Retail Act.

<u>Present law</u> provides that to the extent funds are available, the Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry, in cooperation with other partners, shall establish a financing program that provides grants and loans to eligible healthy food retailers to increase access to healthy food in underserved communities.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and removes the available funds exception for the financing program.

<u>Present law</u> provides that program funding shall be on a competitive, one-time basis as appropriate for the eligible project.

Proposed law permits an eligible project to qualify for program funding more than once.

(Amends R.S. 3:296(D)(1), (3), and (4)(b)(intro. para.))