

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 303

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYER

SNAP/FOOD STAMPS: Provides for the reduction of SNAP benefits upon a juvenile entering department of corrections custody

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 15:933.1 and 933.2, relative to SNAP benefits; to require the office of juvenile
3 justice to report relative to juveniles in custody to the Department of Children and
4 Family Services; to provide for the adjustment of SNAP benefits under certain
5 circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 15:933.1 and 933.2 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §933.1. Office of juvenile justice; statistical data collection; Department of Children
9 and Family Services

10 A. The office of juvenile justice shall report to the Department of Children
11 and Family Services the name of the juvenile and date of disposition resulting in the
12 child being placed under the custody of the office of juvenile justice for a sentence
13 six months or longer.

14 B. If the juvenile has not reached the age of majority, the office of juvenile
15 justice shall report to the Department of Children and Family Services when the
16 juvenile is released from custody.

17 C. The office of juvenile justice shall inform the Department of Children and
18 Family Services no later than forty-five days prior to release of the juvenile from
19 custody.

- 1 §933.2. Juveniles in custody; SNAP benefits
- 2 Upon receipt of the report from the office of juvenile justice as required by
- 3 R.S. 15:933.1, the Department of Children and Family Services shall adjust SNAP
- 4 benefits of the juvenile's household to reflect the change in circumstance.
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DIGEST

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HB 303 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Requires the office of juvenile justice to report the name of SNAP benefit recipients to the Dept. of Children and Family Services (DCFS) in certain circumstances for the purpose of adjusting benefits received.

Proposed law requires the office of juvenile justice to report the name of a juvenile and the date in which the juvenile is placed in its custody to the DCFS if the sentence is longer than six months.

Proposed law also requires DCFS to adjust the SNAP benefits of the juvenile's household upon the report from the office of juvenile justice required by proposed law.

Proposed law provides that if the juvenile has not reached the age of majority, the office of juvenile justice shall report to the DCFS when the juvenile is released from custody.

Proposed law shall inform DCFS no later than 45 days prior to a juvenile's release from custody.

(Adds R.S. 15:933.1 and 933.2)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by HouseThe House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Add that the office of juvenile justice shall only report only a juvenile's name to DCFS when the juvenile is given a sentence longer than six months.
2. Add that if the juvenile has not reached the age of majority, the office of juvenile justice shall report to DCFS the name of the juvenile no later than 45 days prior to his release from custody.