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To amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to permit supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits to be used to purchase additional types of food items.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. MENG (for herself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. GARBARINO, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Ms. BALINT, Mr. BELL, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK, Ms. CHU, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. COHEN, Mr. COSTA, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. EVANS of Pennsylvania, Mr. EVANS of Colorado, Mr. FROST, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. GARCIA of California, Mr. GOLDMAN of New York, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. HARDER of California, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. JACOBS, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. KEATING, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. LANDSMAN, Mr. LATIMER, Mr. LAWLER, Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Mr. MCGARVEY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mrs. McIVER, Mr. MIN, Mr. MORELLE, Ms. NORTON, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Ms. PETTERSEN, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. POCAN, Mrs. RAMIREZ, Mr. RILEY of New York, Ms. SALINAS, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. SORENSEN, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. THANEDAR, Ms. TITUS, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. TOKUDA, Mr. TONKO, Mr. TORRES of New York, Mr. TRAN, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. VASQUEZ, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Hot Foods Act of
5 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. HOT FOOD UNDER SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION AS-**
7 **SISTANCE PROGRAM.**

8 Section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7
9 U.S.C. 2012) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (k)(1), by striking “consump-
11 tion except alcoholic beverages, tobacco, hot foods or
12 hot food products ready for immediate consumption
13 other than those authorized pursuant to clauses (3),
14 (4), (5), (7), (8), and (9) of this subsection” and in-
15 serting “consumption, including hot foods or hot
16 food products ready for immediate consumption and
17 excluding alcoholic beverages, tobacco”;

18 (2) in subsection (o)(1)—

19 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
20 (A), by striking “and consumption” and insert-
21 ing “or home or immediate consumption”; and

22 (B) in subparagraph (A)—

23 (i) by striking the subparagraph des-
24 ignation and all that follows through “of-
25 fers” and inserting the following:

1 “(A)(i) offers”;

2 (ii) in clause (i) (as so designated), by
3 striking “or” at the end and inserting
4 “and”; and

5 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing:

7 “(ii) of which not more than 50 percent of
8 the total gross sales are from hot foods or hot
9 food products ready for immediate consump-
10 tion; or”; and

11 (3) in subsection (q)(2)—

12 (A) by striking “include accessory” and in-
13 serting the following: “include—

14 “(A) accessory”;

15 (B) in subparagraph (A) (as so des-
16 ignated), by striking the period at the end and
17 inserting “; and”; and

18 (C) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(B) hot foods or hot food products ready
20 for immediate consumption.”.

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