

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 6271

To provide supplemental appropriations to carry out the emergency food assistance program under the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 in the event of a lapse in funding for the supplemental nutrition assistance program under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 21, 2025

Mrs. MCCLAIN DELANEY (for herself, Ms. ANSARI, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. CARSON, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. FIELDS, Mr. FIGURES, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. MANNION, Mr. MFUME, Ms. NORTON, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. THANEDAR, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. TITUS, and Ms. SCHRIER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To provide supplemental appropriations to carry out the emergency food assistance program under the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 in the event of a lapse in funding for the supplemental nutrition assistance program under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Food Bank Emergency
3 Support Act of 2025”.

4 **SEC. 2. APPROPRIATION.**

5 (a) AMOUNT APPROPRIATED.—There is hereby ap-
6 propriated, out of any money in the Treasury not other-
7 wise appropriated, \$462,500,000 for expenditure under
8 the authority of section 27 of the Food and Nutrition Act
9 of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2036) to be available in accordance with
10 this section until expended.

11 (b) AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS.—Dur-
12 ing any period for which—

13 (1) insufficient appropriated funds are available
14 without regard to the funds appropriated under sub-
15 section (a), to carry out the Food and Nutrition Act
16 of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012 et seq.) without a reduction
17 in benefit amounts otherwise payable under such
18 Act; or

19 (2) the Secretary of Agriculture issues a deter-
20 mination, certification, or notice that available budg-
21 et authority is insufficient to provide timely the full
22 amounts of benefit payments determined under such
23 Act for all eligible households,
24 funds appropriated under subsection (a) shall be available
25 for expenditure, including during a lapse in appropriations

1 and after such lapse, to carry out section 27 of the Food
2 and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2036).

3 (c) EXCEPTED FROM FURLOUGH.—Any services of
4 an officer, employee, or contractor to carry out section 27
5 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2036)
6 (including with respect to executing orders for the dis-
7 tribution of commodities) shall be deemed, for purposes
8 of section 1342 of title 31, United States Code, as services
9 for emergencies involving the safety of human life or the
10 protection of property.

11 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

12 This Act shall take effect as if enacted on September
13 30, 2025.

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