

Amendment

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Offered in the House

to: HCS CSSB 147(L&C)

Rep. Gray

Page 7, line 1:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"Sec. AS 47.25.980(a) is amended to read:

- 1 (a) The department shall
 - (1) adopt regulations necessary to carry out the food stamp program;
 - (2) cooperate with the federal government and do all things necessary to continue state eligibility under the food stamp program;
 - (3) comply with the requirements of 7 U.S.C. 2011 - 2036d (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) and certify each eligible household for the longest certification period permitted under federal law; in this paragraph, "certification period" has the meaning given in 7 U.S.C. 2012 [7 U.S.C. 2011 - 2036 (FOOD STAMP PROGRAM)];
 - (4) establish an electronic application for the food stamp program and allow an applicant to submit an application in electronic format or in other formats required by state and federal law; the electronic application must inform an applicant that a false statement made on the application will be investigated and is punishable under AS 11.56.210; in this paragraph, "electronic application" means an application for benefits or renewal of benefits, whether the department exclusively administers the benefits or administers the benefits in coordination with another state agency or federal agency, electronically completed and submitted through the department's Internet website."

Remember the following bill sections accordingly.