

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Richard Pena Raymond, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

**FROM:** John S O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB1151** by Raymond (Relating to prohibiting the purchase of certain food items under the supplemental nutritional assistance program.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would add a new section to Chapter 33 of the Human Resources Code to prohibit the use of supplemental nutritional assistance program (SNAP) benefits for the purchase of certain sweetened, sugary, or high fat content foods and beverages. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2011.

This analysis assumes HHSC would seek federal approval, as authorized in the bill, from Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) for a waiver to implement the provisions of the bill, as the laws and regulations governing the items that can be purchased with SNAP benefits are established at the federal level. It is assumed that any additional work resulting from the passage of the bill could be reasonably absorbed within current resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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