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S.B. No. 936

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the eligibility for supplemental nutrition assistance  
3 benefits for certain persons who owe delinquent child support.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 33, Human Resources Code,  
6 is amended by adding Section 33.030 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 33.030. ELIGIBILITY RESTRICTION FOR DELINQUENT CHILD  
8 SUPPORT PAYMENTS. (a) In this section, "Title IV-D agency" has the  
9 meaning assigned by Section 101.033, Family Code.

10 (b) As authorized by 7 U.S.C. Section 2015(n), a person may  
11 not receive supplemental nutrition assistance benefits as a member  
12 of any household during any month in which the person is delinquent  
13 in making a court-ordered child support payment.

14 (c) The restriction in Subsection (b) does not apply if a  
15 court has allowed the person to delay payment or if the person is  
16 complying with a payment plan approved by a court or the Title IV-D  
17 agency.

18 (d) The department and the Title IV-D agency shall jointly  
19 enforce this section.

20 SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of this Act  
21 a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a  
22 federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision,  
23 the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or  
24 authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the

1 waiver or authorization is granted.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.