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TO: Honorable James B. Frank, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

- **FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director Legislative Budget Board
- **IN RE: HB251** by Farrar (Relating to the exclusion of certain resources in determining eligibility for the supplemental nutrition assistance program.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 33 of the Human Resources Code to direct the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to exclude certain resources in determining the eligibility for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). HHSC estimates there would be a minimal cost associated with implementing the provisions of the bill. It is assumed that these costs could be absorbed within existing resources. All SNAP benefits are federally funded; therefore, there would be no additional cost to the state for an increased number of recipients receiving benefits.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 529 Health and Human Services Commission **LBB Staff:** WP, AKi, ER, ADe, RC, MH