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S.B. No. 1307

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT 2 relating to the waiver of work search requirements under the supplemental nutrition assistance program 3 during certain 4 disasters. 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 33.0171 to read as follows: 7 Sec. 33.0171. WAIVER OF WORK SEARCH REQUIREMENTS UNDER SNAP 8 DURING CERTAIN DISASTERS. During a state of disaster declared 9 under Chapter 418, Government Code, or a public health disaster 10

11 declared under Chapter 81, Health and Safety Code, the commission 12 shall waive work requirements that require a recipient of 13 supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits to search for 14 work.

15 SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of this Act 16 a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a 17 federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision, 18 the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or 19 authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the 20 waiver or authorization is granted.

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SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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