

HOUSE BILL 533

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By: **Delegates Parrott, Hornberger, Krebs, W. Miller, Morgan, Reilly, and Wivell**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Food Stamp Program – Time Limit Waiver – Prohibition**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State from applying for or implementing a federal
4 waiver of the time limit on the receipt of benefits under the food stamp program by
5 a certain individual who does not meet certain work requirements; and generally
6 relating to the food stamp program.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article – Human Services
9 Section 5–501
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2007 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
13 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article – Human Services**

15 5–501.

16 (a) The Department may implement a food stamp program in accordance with the
17 federal Food Stamp Act.

18 (b) The State shall bear the nonfederal portion of the administrative costs of the
19 food stamp program for each county.

20 (c) Each local department shall administer the food stamp program:

21 (1) under the supervision and control of the Department; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) in accordance with the regulations of the Department and federal law.

2 (d) If a household includes an individual who is at least 62 years old and receives
3 a federally funded benefit in an amount less than \$30 per month under the food stamp
4 program, the State shall provide a supplement to increase the total benefit to \$30 per
5 month.

6 **(E) THE STATE MAY NOT APPLY FOR OR IMPLEMENT A FEDERAL WAIVER OF**
7 **THE TIME LIMIT ON THE RECEIPT OF BENEFITS UNDER THE FOOD STAMP PROGRAM**
8 **BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO:**

9 **(1) IS AN ABLE-BODIED ADULT WITHOUT DEPENDENTS; AND**

10 **(2) DOES NOT MEET ALL APPLICABLE WORK REQUIREMENTS.**

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 October 1, 2017.