

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REQUEST FOR INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL

DATE: June 20, 2025

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S):

Representative Emily Gise, Representative Daniel Pae, Representative Tim Turner

TOPIC OF THE PROPOSAL:

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) in Oklahoma

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS ON THE SCOPE OF THE STUDY PROPOSAL:

Focus on maximizing program efficiency, improving outcomes for families, and preparing for anticipated federal changes.

The scope of the study will include:

- An evaluation of work requirement structures, including what is currently allowed under federal law and what is being implemented in other states;
- A review of SNAP fraud detection and prevention efforts, including the volume and impact of fraud identified in Oklahoma;
- An assessment of the costs, feasibility, and implications of pursuing a federal waiver to restrict certain purchases, such as sugar-sweetened beverages;
- A discussion of the burdens such restrictions may place on retailers, particularly small and rural grocers and convenience stores;
- Exploration of rural food access barriers, and opportunities to increase availability of locally grown and nutritious food in underserved communities;
- Consideration of the potential fiscal impact on the state if federal SNAP match rates were to shift.

The goal of this study is to gather data-driven insights and stakeholder input to inform fiscally responsible, compassionate policies that support both program integrity and long-term independence for Oklahoma families.

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