

House Bill 2837

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires Department of Human Services to adopt by rule program that provides financial assistance to recipients of supplemental nutrition assistance for purchasing locally grown fruits and vegetables from participating farmers' markets, farm share sites and retail outlets. Requires program match amounts that recipient spends on certain eligible foods.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to department to implement program.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to program providing financial assistance to recipients who receive supplemental nutrition
3 assistance; and declaring an emergency.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1. (1)(a) The Department of Human Services shall adopt by rule a program to**
6 **provide funds to assist recipients who are eligible to receive supplemental nutrition assist-**
7 **ance provided by the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program under ORS 411.806 to**
8 **411.845 in purchasing locally grown fruits and vegetables from farmers' markets, farm share**
9 **sites and retail food outlets that participate in the program adopted under this section.**

10 **(b) The program shall match the amounts that a recipient spends on foods that are eli-**
11 **gible for supplemental nutrition assistance.**

12 **(2) The department shall review the outcomes of the program adopted under this section,**
13 **including the program's impact on the purchase of locally grown fruits and vegetables by**
14 **recipients provided assistance under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. The**
15 **department shall prepare and make available to the public a report describing the**
16 **department's findings, no later than December 31, 2020.**

17 **SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**
18 **ated to the Department of Human Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of**
19 **the General Fund, the amount of \$3,000,000, which shall be expended for the purposes of im-**
20 **plementing section 1 of this 2019 Act.**

21 **SECTION 3. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
22 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect**
23 **on its passage.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.