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SENATE BILL 1519\*

Short Title: Food Stamp Outreach Funds.

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Sponsors: Senator Walker.

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Referred to: Appropriations.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ESTABLISH WITHIN THE  
2 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES A FOOD STAMP OUTREACH  
3 PROGRAM OF INFORMATION, REFERRAL, AND REMOVAL OF BARRIERS  
4 TO THE FOOD STAMP PROGRAM.  
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. (a) The Department of Human Resources shall establish a Food  
8 Stamp Outreach Program. Under the Program the Department shall inform public and  
9 private agencies, community groups, potentially-eligible persons, and the general public  
10 regarding the eligibility requirements of the Food Stamp Program. The Department shall  
11 develop a referral list of public and private agencies, community groups, and interested  
12 persons and organizations who serve low-income persons. The Department shall inform  
13 these agencies and persons regarding the Food Stamp Program and changes in the law  
14 which affect client eligibility or the extent of benefits. The Department shall develop  
15 and distribute informational materials, such as public service announcements,  
16 brochures, pamphlets, posters, and correspondence.

17 (b) The Department of Human Resources shall fund 10 demonstration  
18 projects in urban and rural counties with low food stamp participation rates to conduct  
19 comprehensive activities designed to remove barriers to participation.

20 Sec. 2. The Department of Human Resources shall conduct an evaluation of  
21 the effectiveness of the Food Stamp Outreach Program described in Section 1 of this act  
22 and shall file a written report on the findings and recommendations with the General  
23 Assembly on or before May of 1992.

1           Sec. 3. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of  
2 Human Resources the sum of \$347,818 for the 1990-91 fiscal year to implement the  
3 provisions of this act.

4           Sec. 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 1990.