



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 6481**

LCO No. 2855



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:

REP. ROSARIO, 128th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING SEMI-MONTHLY TRANSFERS OF  
SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION BENEFITS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That title 17b of the general statutes be amended to require the
- 2 Commissioner of Social Services to stagger the transfer of
- 3 supplemental nutrition assistance benefits to electronic benefit cards
- 4 more than once a month to avert (1) higher retail food prices due to
- 5 increased demand when beneficiaries use the benefits all at once, and
- 6 (2) depletion of benefits soon after they are issued.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To avert depletion of supplemental nutrition assistance benefits early in the month and higher food prices when retailers serve a rush of shoppers using their benefits all at once.