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SENATE ENROLLED ACT No. 15

AN ACT concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) **As used in this SECTION, "food desert" means an underserved geographic area where affordable fresh and healthy foods are difficult to obtain, as determined by the state department.**

(b) **As used in this SECTION, "study committee" means an interim study committee established by IC 2-5-1.3-4.**

(c) **The general assembly urges the legislative council to assign to an appropriate study committee the topics related to the establishment of a food desert grant and loan program within a state agency to assist:**

- (1) **new businesses;**
- (2) **existing businesses; or**
- (3) **any legal entity;**

to offer fresh and unprocessed foods within a food desert.

(d) **If the legislative council assigns the topic described in subsection (c) to an appropriate study committee, the study committee shall complete the study required by this SECTION and report its findings and recommendations, if any, to the legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 not later than November 1, 2016.**

(e) **This SECTION expires January 1, 2017.**

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SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.



President of the Senate

President Pro Tempore

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Governor of the State of Indiana

Date: _____ Time: _____

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