1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

SENATE BILL NO. 1028 By: Rosino

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Statewide Temporary Assistance Responsibility System (STARS); amending 56 O.S. 2011, Section 241.3, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 178, O.S.L. 2013 (56 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 241.3), which relates to limitation of benefits; directing the Department of Human Services to require cooperation with certain program as condition of eligibility; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 56 O.S. 2011, Section 241.3, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 178, O.S.L. 2013 (56 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 241.3), is amended to read as follows:

Section 241.3. A. Except as otherwise provided by law or waiver, all able-bodied recipients eighteen (18) years of age to fifty (50) years of age, who are not disabled or raising minor children, may receive food stamps for only three (3) months in each thirty-six-month period except in months in which such recipients are employed for at least twenty (20) or more hours per week. The Department of Human Services shall enforce the provisions of this section and any approved waivers or other provisions pursuant to law

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in effect for this state as of the effective date of this act July 1, 1997, in designated areas and populations.

- B. 1. A family applying for food stamps after the fifteenth (15th) day of each month shall be eligible to receive the total amount of their initial allotment and their regular first allotment.
- 2. A household allotment of food stamps may be reduced by up to twenty-five percent (25%) if a family is sanctioned in another program established pursuant to the Statewide Temporary Assistance Responsibility System.
- 3. An individual in a treatment center shall designate the treatment center as the recipient of such individual's food stamp allotment.
- 4. Operating procedures for the food stamp programs in local offices may vary to reflect local differences.
- 5. The Department is authorized to use the amount of a household food stamp allotment to subsidize a job under a work supplementation or support program.
- C. Beginning October 1, 2013, the Department of Human Services shall not request a waiver to provide Supplemental Nutrition

 Assistance Program services to able-bodied adults without dependents.
- D. The Department shall require recipients to cooperate with the child support enforcement program as a condition of eligibility, pursuant to 7 C.F.R., Section 273.11(o) and (p).

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