

# State of South Dakota

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1178

Introduced by: Representatives May, Campbell, Dennert, DiSanto, Frye-Mueller, Goodwin, Gosch, Greenfield (Lana), Haggar, Kaiser, Latterell, Livermont, Marty, Peterson (Sue), Pischke, Rasmussen, and Stevens and Senators Nelson, Bolin, Greenfield (Brock), Jensen (Phil), Maher, Wiik, and Youngberg

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require the Department of Social Services to submit an  
2 implementation plan to allow the state to issue photo EBT cards.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

5 In order to allow the State of South Dakota to begin issuing photo Electronic Benefit  
6 Transfer (EBT) cards, the Department of Social Services shall submit to the Food and Nutrition  
7 Service of the United States Department of Agriculture a comprehensive implementation plan.  
8 The plan shall address certain operational issues to ensure that the state's implementation of  
9 photo EBT cards is consistent with all the federal requirements and that program access is  
10 protected for participating households.

11 The plan shall demonstrate that the state is meeting performance standards in the  
12 supplemental nutrition assistance program and include established procedures to ensure that any  
13 appropriate member of a household or authorized representative, who is not pictured on the  
14 photo EBT card, may use the card. Furthermore, the department shall, within the plan, clearly



1 provide that, once implemented, the photo EBT card requirement will be a function of issuance  
2 and will not affect any household's eligibility or the certification process.

3 The department shall submit the plan no later than December 31, 2017.