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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1206

Introduced by: Representatives Blake, Boomgarden, Brunner, Elliott, Fargen, Gibson, Greenfield, Hickey, Hunhoff (Bernie), Jones, Kirschman, Lucas, Magstadt, Sly, Street, and Wismer and Senators Buhl, Adelstein, Bradford, Krebs, Maher, Peters, Sutton, and Tieszen

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to make an appropriation for Feeding South Dakota and to
- 2 repeal the sales tax on food refund program.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. Any money remaining from the appropriation made in section 3 chapter 140 of
- 5 the 2009 Session Laws shall be reappropriated to the Department of Social Services for a grant
- 6 to Feeding South Dakota for the purpose of emergency food assistance.
- 7 Section 2. The secretary of the Department of Social Services shall approve vouchers and
- 8 the state auditor shall draw warrants to pay expenditures authorized by this Act.
- 9 Section 3. Any amounts appropriated in this Act not lawfully expended or obligated, shall
- 10 revert in accordance with chapter 4-8.
- 11 Section 4. That § 28-1-70 be repealed.
- 12 28-1-70. There is established the sales tax on food refund program to be administered by the
- 13 Department of Social Services. The purpose of the program is to provide sales tax refunds on
- 14 food for purchases made in accordance with chapters 10-45 and 10-46 to South Dakota families



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- 1 who need it most.
- 2 Section 5. That § 28-1-71 be repealed.
- 3 28-1-71. To be eligible for the sales tax on food refund program, a person shall:
- 4 (1) Be a South Dakota resident;
- 5 (2) Be the head of the household and certify the number of persons in the household;
- 6 (3) Have countable income above one hundred thirty percent and below one hundred
- 7 fifty-one percent of the federal poverty level, as updated annually by the Department
- 8 of Social Services in administrative rules promulgated pursuant to chapter 1-26;
- 9 (4) Not be a current recipient of supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits.
- Section 6. That § 28-1-72 be repealed.
- 11 28-1-72. The Department of Social Services shall promulgate rules, pursuant to chapter 1-
- 12 <del>26, relating to:</del>
- 13 (1) Eligibility criteria;
- 14 (2) Refund amounts or levels;
- 15 (3) Payment provisions;
- 16 (4) Household reporting requirements; and
- 17 <del>(5) Recoveries.</del>
- 18 Section 7. That § 28-1-73 be repealed.
- 19 28-1-73. To receive sales tax on food refunds pursuant to §§ 28-1-70 to 28-1-77, inclusive,
- 20 a household shall apply for an annual refund during an annual enrollment period on forms
- 21 prescribed by the Department of Social Services.
- Section 8. That § 28-1-75 be repealed.
- 23 28-1-75. The estimate of sales tax on food paid or refund awarded under this program shall
- 24 be determined based on:

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- 1 (1) The thrifty food plan as adopted and updated annually in administrative rules
- 2 promulgated by the Department of Social Services pursuant to chapter 1-26; and
- 3 (2) The number of individuals in the household.
- 4 A monthly allotment shall be determined based on the thrifty food plan's maximum
- 5 allotment and the corresponding number of individuals in the household. Once the monthly
- 6 allotment is determined, it shall be annualized and multiplied by the average sales tax rate in
- 7 South Dakota as determined by the Department of Revenue. This shall be the annual level of
- 8 refund eligible for the household.
- 9 Section 9. That § 28-1-77 be repealed.
- 10 28-1-77. The method of payment utilized to make payments authorized by §§ 28-1-70 to 28-
- 11 1-77, inclusive, shall be made by warrant.