

Amendment No. 1 to HB1339

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1505

House Bill No. 1339*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, is amended by adding the following as a new part:

71-5-2901.

The department of human services is authorized to actively seek and apply for federal grants and other available federal funds, and utilize available federal funds, for the purpose of alleviating childhood hunger. The department is encouraged to begin seeking and applying for such funds within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this act.

71-5-2902.

(a) The department shall report by February 1, 2025, and on or before February 1 of each subsequent year, to the chairs of the health and welfare committee of the senate and the health committee of the house of representatives on any grants or other federal funds that are available to the department for the purpose of alleviating childhood hunger. The report must identify:

(1) Funds the department has applied for pursuant to § 71-5-2901 but that have not yet been awarded or received;

(2) Funds the department has received pursuant to an application and the ways in which such funds are being distributed and used;

(3) Applications for funds that the department made pursuant to § 71-5-2901 that were denied and any reasons for the denial that the department was provided or is able to identify;

(4) Available funds for which the department did not apply and the department's reasons for its decision not to apply for such funds; and

(5) Other federal funding the department has identified as available for the purpose of alleviating childhood hunger.

(b) The department may submit the report required by subsection (a) in conjunction with other reports required by law.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.