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H. R. 9472

To amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to prohibit the use of supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits to purchase sugary beverages.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 8, 2022

Mr. GROTHMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “SNAP Back to Health
5 Act of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS.**

7 Section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7
8 U.S.C. 2012) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (k) by inserting “sugary bev-
2 erages,” after “alcoholic beverages,” and

3 (2) by inserting after subsection (r) the fol-
4 lowing:

5 “(r-1) ‘Sugary beverage’ means a beverage that con-
6 tains brown sugar, corn sweetener, corn syrup, dextrose,
7 fructose, glucose, high-fructose corn syrup, honey, lactose,
8 malt syrup, maltose, molasses, raw sugar, and sucrose, as-
9 partame, Splenda, acesulfame potassium, stevia, or any
10 similar substance as determined by the Secretary.”.

11 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATES.**

12 (a) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—Except as provided in sub-
13 section (b), this Act and the amendments made by this
14 Act shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this
15 Act.

16 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE OF AMENDMENTS.**—The
17 amendments made by this Act shall take effect 1 year
18 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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