

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1708

To amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to provide that certain students who are family caregivers are eligible to participate in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 2, 2017

Mrs. GILLIBRAND introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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. SNAP ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTAIN STUDENTS**
4 **RESPONSIBLE FOR CARE OF DISABLED MEM-**
5 **BERS OF HOUSEHOLDS.**

6 Section 6(e)(5) of the Food and Nutrition Act of
7 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2015(e)(5)) is amended—

8 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “or”;

1 (2) in subparagraph (B), by adding “or” at the
2 end; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(C) an informal provider of in-home and
5 community care to—

6 “(i) a member of the household—

7 “(I) who is not less than 60
8 years old; and

9 “(II) for whom a physician, phy-
10 sician’s assistant, nurse, nurse practi-
11 tioner, designated representative of
12 the physician’s office, licensed or cer-
13 tified psychologist, social worker, or
14 any other health professional deter-
15 mined appropriate by the State agen-
16 cy provides a statement that the mem-
17 ber of the household—

18 “(aa) is unable to perform
19 without substantial assistance
20 from another individual two or
21 more activities of daily living de-
22 scribed in section
23 7702B(c)(2)(B) of the Internal
24 Revenue Code of 1986; or

1 “(bb)(AA) requires substan-
2 tial supervision to protect the
3 member of the household from
4 threats to health and safety due
5 to a severe cognitive impairment;
6 and

7 “(BB) is unable to perform
8 without reminding or cuing as-
9 sistance one or more activities of
10 daily living described in section
11 7702B(c)(2)(B) of the Internal
12 Revenue Code of 1986; or

13 “(ii) a disabled member of the house-
14 hold described in paragraph (2) or (3) of
15 section 3(j);”.

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