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Overview

This bill modifies the cancellation of food stamp benefits.

Food Support ¹ is a federal program that increases the food purchasing power of low-income households. It is also called "Food Stamps."

Section

1 Aging of food stamp benefits and reporting requirements. Creates § 256D.0516.

Subd. 1. Aging of food stamp benefits. Cancels food stamp benefits that have not been accessed within 12 months.

Subd. 2. Food stamp reporting requirements. Requires food stamp recipients, required to report under federal law, to report every six months as prescribed by the commissioner.

Aging of cash benefits. Amends § 256J.77. Exempts food stamp benefits from canceling if they have not been accessed within 90 days of issuance.

¹ In Minnesota, the program is referred to as Food Support while the federal program is still called Food Stamps.

