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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill repeals the asset limitation for food stamp households in Minnesota, extends the 60-month time limit for MFIP recipients who have reached or will reach the limit prior to July 1, 2011, to allow recipients to remain eligible until July 1, 2011, and repeals the family cap for MFIP recipients.

#### Section

- 1** **Asset Limitations for Food Stamp Household.** Amends § 256D.0515 by removing paragraph (2) requiring that households have less than \$7,000 in financial resources to be eligible for food stamps.
- 2** **Temporary 60-month time limit extension.** Amends § 256J.42 by adding subd. 1a. Extends MFIP benefits to recipients of MFIP who have reached the 60-month time limit or who will reach the 60-month time limit before July 1, 2011, and who otherwise remain eligible. Extended benefits will expire on July 1, 2011.
- 3** **Repealer.** Repeals § 256J.24, subd. 6. This section would repeal the MFIP family cap. The family cap provision states that MFIP assistance units shall not receive an increase in cash assistance as a result of the birth of a child, unless the birth of the child meets one of the exceptions listed in the subdivision.