

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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To appropriate funds to ensure uninterrupted benefits under the supplemental nutrition assistance program and the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. LUJÁN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Keep SNAP and WIC
5 Funded Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. UNINTERRUPTED BENEFITS UNDER SUPPLE-**
2 **MENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**
3 **AND SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION**
4 **PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHIL-**
5 **DREN.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—In fiscal year 2026, for any period
7 during which interim continuing appropriations or full-
8 year appropriations for that fiscal year have not been en-
9 acted for the Department of Agriculture, there are appro-
10 priated to the Secretary of Agriculture, out of any money
11 in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as
12 are necessary—

13 (1) to provide uninterrupted benefits under the
14 supplemental nutrition assistance program estab-
15 lished under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7
16 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.);

17 (2) to provide consolidated block grants under
18 section 19 of that Act (7 U.S.C. 2028); and

19 (3) to carry out without interruption the special
20 supplemental nutrition program for women, infants,
21 and children established by section 17 of the Child
22 Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786).

23 (b) RETROACTIVITY.—The appropriations under sub-
24 section (a) shall include any amounts necessary for pay-
25 ment of any missed benefits described in that subsection

1 during the period beginning on September 30, 2025, and
2 ending on the date of enactment of this Act.

3 (c) TERMINATION.—Appropriations shall be made
4 available pursuant to subsection (a) until the earlier of—

- 5 (1) the date of enactment into law of appropria-
6 tions (including a continuing appropriation) for the
7 Department of Agriculture for fiscal year 2026; and
8 (2) September 30, 2026.

9 (d) REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATES.—The Secretary
10 of Agriculture shall use the amounts made available pur-
11 suant to subsection (a) to reimburse State agencies for
12 costs incurred in carrying out the supplemental nutrition
13 assistance program established under the Food and Nutri-
14 tion Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), including con-
15 solidated block grants under section 19 of that Act (7
16 U.S.C. 2028), and the special supplemental nutrition pro-
17 gram for women, infants, and children established by sec-
18 tion 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C.
19 1786), including the cost of benefits issued under those
20 programs, during a lapse in appropriations for those pro-
21 grams, to the extent that the State agency carried out
22 those programs in accordance with Federal law (including
23 regulations) during that lapse.

24 (e) CHARGE TO FUTURE APPROPRIATIONS.—Ex-
25 penditures made pursuant to this Act shall be charged to

1 the applicable appropriation, fund, or authorization when-
2 ever a bill in which such applicable appropriation, fund,
3 or authorization is contained is enacted into law.