

S 1593

A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to require State electronic benefit transfer contracts to treat wireless program retail food stores in the same manner as wired program retail food stores.

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (Sep 21, 2011)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** NY • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Oct 18, 2011
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		Nov 15, 2011
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Dec 6, 2011

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 21, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Sep 21, 2011)

Amends the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (formerly known as the Food Stamp Act of 1977) to require state electronic benefit transfer contracts to treat wireless program retail food stores in the same manner as wired program retail food stores for purposes of supplemental nutrition assistance (SNAP, formerly food stamp) benefits.

Defines "wireless retailer" to include: (1) a farmers market, (2) a farm stand, (3) a green cart, (4) a route vendor, (5) an entity operating a community-supported agriculture program, and (6) an individual farmer affiliated with such entities.

Actions Timeline

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