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Student Food Security Act of 2021

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		May 11, 2021
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		May 11, 2021
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		May 11, 2021
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		May 11, 2021
Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA]	D · CA		May 11, 2021
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		May 11, 2021
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		May 11, 2021
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Nov 17, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 11, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 6272	Related bill	Jan 4, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Nutrition, Oversight, and Department Operations.
117 HR 5591	Related bill	Oct 22, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Nutrition, Oversight, and Department Operations.
117 HR 3100	Identical bill	Jul 1, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Nutrition, Oversight, and Department Operations.

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This bill expands the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and establishes programs to address food insecurity among college students.

Specifically, the bill permanently modifies the eligibility requirements to allow additional college students to receive SNAP benefits, and it establishes a demonstration program to allow college students to use SNAP benefits on college campuses instead of meal plans. The bill also advances implementation of certain data-sharing agreements and notifications to help students who apply for federal financial aid to also apply for and receive other federal means-tested benefits (e.g., Section 8 tenant-based housing assistance, Medicaid, and Supplemental Security Income).

In addition, the bill (1) requires questions about food and housing insecurity to be incorporated into the National Postsecondary Student Aid Study, and (2) establishes a grant program to support research and address incidences of food and housing insecurity among college students.

Actions Timeline

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