

119TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 1528

To amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to standardize work requirements for able-bodied adults enrolled in the supplemental nutrition assistance program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 24, 2025

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. LAMALFA, and Mr. FINSTAD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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 “America Works Act
5 of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS.**

7 (a) AMENDMENTS TO THE FOOD AND NUTRITION
8 ACT OF 2008.—Section 6(o) of the Food and Nutrition
9 Act of 2008 is amended—

1 (1) by amending paragraph (3) to read as fol-
2 lows:

3 “(3) EXCEPTION.—Paragraph (2) shall not
4 apply to an individual if the individual is—

5 “(A) under 18 or over 65 years of age;

6 “(B) medically certified as physically or
7 mentally unfit for employment;

8 “(C) is a parent or other member of a
9 household with responsibility for a dependent
10 child under 7 years of age;

11 “(D) otherwise exempt under subsection
12 (d)(2); or

13 “(E) a pregnant woman.”, and

14 (2) by amending subparagraph (4)(A) to read
15 as follows:

16 “(A) IN GENERAL.—On the request of a
17 State agency and with the support of the chief
18 executive officer of the State, the Secretary may
19 waive the applicability of paragraph (2) to any
20 group of individuals in the State if the Sec-
21 retary makes the determination that the county
22 or county-equivalent in which the individuals re-
23 side has an unemployment rate of over 10 per-
24 cent.”, and

1 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 311 of title
2 II of division C of the Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023
3 (Public Law 118–5; 137 STAT. 36) is amended by strik-
4 ing subsection (b).

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