

CHESTER J. CULVER GOVERNOR PATTY JUDGE LT. GOVERNOR

April 17, 2007

The Honorable Michael Mauro Secretary of State State Capitol Building L O C A L

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 846, an Act providing for an Iowa farmers' market nutrition program.

The above House File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely.

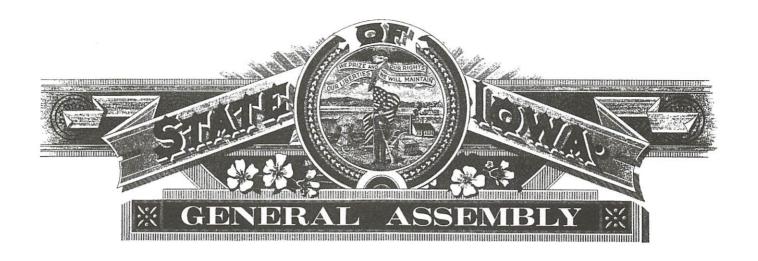
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Governor

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cc: Secretary of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House





HOUSE FILE 846

AN ACT

PROVIDING FOR AN IOWA FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 175B.1 SHORT TITLE.

This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Iowa Farmers' Market Nutrition Program Act".

Sec. 2. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 175B.2 DEFINITIONS.

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 1. "Department" means the department of agriculture and land stewardship.
- 2. "Federal program" means the WIC farmers' market nutrition program and the senior farmers' market nutrition program.
- 3. "Iowa farmers' market nutrition program" means one or both of the federal programs as established and administered by the department pursuant to section 175B.3.
- 4. "Senior farmers' market nutrition program" means the federal senior farmers' market nutrition program as authorized by the federal Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, 7 U.S.C. § 3007, and provided for in 7 C.F.R., pt. 249.
- 5. "WIC farmers' market nutrition program" means the federal women, infants, and children farmers' market nutrition program as authorized by the federal Child Nutrition Act of 1966, 42 U.S.C. § 1786, and as regulated by 7 C.F.R., pt. 248.
- Sec. 3. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 175B.3 IOWA FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM -- ESTABLISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATION.

An Iowa farmers' market nutrition program is established.

1. The department shall administer the Iowa farmers' market nutrition program as a state agency approved by the United States department of agriculture to participate in the federal programs. The department may apply to and submit a

state plan for approval by the United States department of agriculture as required to administer the Iowa farmers' market nutrition program.

- 2. The department and any other state agency, local government agency, or nonprofit entity participating in the federal programs shall cooperate as necessary in order to carry out the federal programs, including by entering into written agreements. The department and any other state agency shall cooperate under the auspices of the governor.
 - Sec. 4. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 175B.4 OTHER PROGRAMS.

Nothing in this chapter restricts the department from providing for programs which promote the purposes of the federal programs.

Sec. 5. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 175B.5 ADMINISTRATIVE RULES.

The department shall adopt rules in order to administer the Iowa farmers' market nutrition program. If another state agency is involved in the administration of this chapter, the other state agency shall cooperate with the department in adopting its rules.

PATRICK J. MURPHY

Speaker of the House

JOHN P. KIBBIE

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 846, Eighty-second General Assembly.

MARK BRANDSGARD

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved

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Governor