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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the double up food bucks program and making
2 an appropriation.

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

1 Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — DOUBLE
2 UP FOOD BUCKS PROGRAM — SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION. There
3 is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
4 department of health and human services for the fiscal year
5 beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, in addition
6 to any other funding appropriated for such purpose, the
7 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
8 used for the purposes designated:

9 To provide grants to support the double up food bucks
10 program administered by the Iowa healthiest state initiative
11 to make fresh fruits and vegetables sold at farmers markets,
12 grocery stores, and other participating locations accessible
13 to individuals and families who reside in this state and
14 receive assistance through the federal supplemental nutrition
15 assistance program:

16 \$ 1,000,000

17 1. Beginning January 1, 2025, the department of health
18 and human services, in cooperation with the Iowa healthiest
19 state initiative, shall submit an annual report to the general
20 assembly that provides all of the following information related
21 to the double up food bucks program, including but not limited
22 to:

23 a. The utilization rate of all individuals eligible to
24 participate in the program.

25 b. The participating locations providing access to
26 participants in the program.

27 c. Participant demographics.

28 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated under
29 this section shall not revert at the close of the fiscal year,
30 but shall remain available for the purposes designated.

31 EXPLANATION

32 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
33 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

34 This bill relates to the double up food bucks program by
35 making a supplemental appropriation from the general fund

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1 of the state to the department of health and human services
2 (HHS) for fiscal year 2024-2025, in addition to any other
3 funding appropriated for such purpose for the same fiscal
4 year, to provide grants to support the double up food bucks
5 program administered by the Iowa healthiest state initiative
6 to make fresh fruits and vegetables sold at farmers markets,
7 grocery stores, and other participating locations accessible
8 to individuals and families who reside in this state and
9 receive assistance through the federal supplemental nutrition
10 assistance program.

11 Beginning January 1, 2025, HHS, in cooperation with the Iowa
12 healthiest state initiative, shall submit an annual report
13 to the general assembly that provides information related to
14 the double up food bucks program, including but not limited
15 to the utilization rate of participants in the program, the
16 participating locations providing access to participants,
17 and participant demographics. Moneys appropriated under the
18 bill do not revert at the close of the fiscal year but remain
19 available for the purposes of the double up food bucks program.