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A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning	
2	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program – State Supplement	
3 4 5 6 7	FOR the purpose of repealing the minimum age that a member of a household must be for eligibility for a State-provided supplemental benefit under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; increasing the amount of the supplemental benefit that the State must provide; and generally relating to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.	
8 9 10 11 12	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Human Services Section 5–501 Annotated Code of Maryland (2019 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)	
13 14	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:	
15	Article – Human Services	
16	5-501.	
17 18	(a) (1) The Department may implement a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program in accordance with the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.	
19	(2) The	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program shall include:
20 21		a Restaurant Meals Program in accordance with § 5–505 of this
22 23	` /	a Heat and Eat Program in accordance with § 5-506 of this



- 1 (b) The State shall bear the nonfederal portion of the administrative costs of the 2 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program for each county.
- 3 (c) Each local department shall administer the Supplemental Nutrition 4 Assistance Program:
- 5 (1) under the supervision and control of the Department; and
- 6 (2) in accordance with the regulations of the Department and federal law.
- 7 (d) If a household includes an individual who [is at least 62 years old and] 8 receives a federally funded benefit in an amount less than [\$40] \$95 per month under the 9 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, the State shall provide a supplement to 10 increase the total benefit to [\$40] \$95 per month.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 12 October 1, 2024.