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KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Premiere Bill

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An act to enhance the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) within the state.

Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: A person who qualifies for the SNAP program can currently purchase many non-nutritional foods. In order to promote healthier food purchasing in the state of Kentucky, this bill will provide a 10% supplement to a person's monthly SNAP allotment and prohibit the purchasing of soft drinks, energy drinks with caffeine, candy, commercially made cookies, and ice cream.

Section 2: This supplement can be used to purchase food items with better nutritional value. This is because healthier food items tend to cost more than some of these non-nutritional food items.

Section 3: The Department of Health and Family Services will oversee the implementation of this bill. They currently oversee the existing SNAP program. The KY Supplement will be given at the same time a person receives his/her SNAP funding.

Section 4: The Dept. of Health and Family Services will send out this new information to all current SNAP recipients within the next year. The KY website for SNAP will also be updated with the current information.

Section 5: The funding for this bill will come from adding a \$2.00 fee to all birth, death, and marriage certificates fees.

Section 6: This bill will go into effect January 3, 2015 to make sure that adequate funding is in place for our bill before its implementation.