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SYNOPSIS

Provides for technological upgrade of application process for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee on December 7, 2020, with amendments.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/25/2021)

1 AN ACT concerning applications for the Supplemental Nutrition
2 Assistance Program and supplementing Title 44 of the Revised
3 Statutes.

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5 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:

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8 1. ²a.² Consistent with federal law, the Commissioner of Human
9 Services shall permit applicants for the ¹["federal food stamp program,
10 authorized by Title XIII of] Supplemental Nutrition Assistance
11 Program, established pursuant to¹ the "Food and ¹["Agriculture]
12 Nutrition¹ Act of ¹["1977"] 2008¹," Pub.L.¹["95-113"] 110-246¹ (7
13 U.S.C.s.2011 et seq.), to apply by phone² [, ¹to¹ upload required
14 documentation through an online application, and ¹to¹ submit required
15 documentation by electronic mail if the online application is
16 unavailable]².

17 ²b. The commissioner shall:

18 (1) consult with county welfare agencies and county boards of
19 social services to create an electronic record information processing
20 system to process telephonic applications submitted for the
21 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program pursuant to subsection a.
22 of this section, and ensure the system is in compliance with federal
23 standards; and

24 (2) apply and receive approval for such waivers as may be
25 necessary to implement the provisions of this section.²

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27 2. This act shall take effect 180 days after the date of
28 enactment.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AHU committee amendments adopted August 10, 2020.

²Senate SHH committee amendments adopted December 7, 2020.