

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. _____

Offered by _____ of _____

Amend _____ Senate _____ Bill No. 727, Page 1, Section Title, Lines 2-3,

2 by striking the following: "a sales and use tax exemption for";
3 and

4 Further amend said bill, page 2, section 144.527, line 27,
5 by inserting immediately after said line the following:

6 "208.018. 1. Subject to federal approval, the department
7 of social services shall establish a pilot program for the
8 purpose of providing Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
9 (SNAP) participants with access and the ability to afford fresh
10 food when purchasing fresh food at farmers' markets. Under the
11 pilot program, such participants shall be able to:

12 (1) Purchase fresh fruit, vegetables, meat, fish, poultry,
13 eggs, and honey with SNAP benefits with an electronic benefit
14 transfer (EBT) card; and

15 (2) Receive a dollar-for-dollar match for every SNAP dollar
16 spent at a participating farmer's market or vending urban
17 agricultural zone as defined in section 262.900 in an amount up
18 to ten dollars per week whenever the participant purchases fresh
19 food with an EBT card.

20 2. Purchases of approved fresh food by SNAP participants
21 under this section shall automatically trigger matching funds
22 reimbursement into the vendor accounts by the department.

1 3. The funding of this pilot program shall be subject to
2 appropriation. In addition to appropriations from the general
3 assembly, the department may apply for available grants and shall
4 be able to accept other gifts, grants, and donations to develop
5 and maintain the program.

6 4. The department shall promulgate rules setting forth the
7 procedures and methods of implementing this section. Any rule or
8 portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010,
9 that is created under the authority delegated in this section
10 shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to
11 all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section
12 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if
13 any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to
14 chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to
15 disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held
16 unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any
17 rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2014, shall be invalid
18 and void.

19 5. Pursuant to section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:

20 (1) The provisions of this section shall sunset
21 automatically six years after the effective date of this section
22 unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly; and

23 (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized
24 under this section shall sunset automatically twelve years after
25 the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and

26 (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the
27 calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which
28 the program authorized under this section is sunset."; and

29 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.