



## FISCAL NOTE

### Senate Bill 57

Committee: Ways and Means General Fund

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**Senate Bill 57** as passed the Senate would increase the administrative obligations of the Department of Human Resources by requiring the department to request a waiver from the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service to authorize the department to exclude soda and candy from the definition of "eligible foods" for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Granting of the waiver would not directly affect state or local funding, as it only changes the eligible foods that can be purchased and not the amount of benefits received by SNAP beneficiaries.

Further, this bill would increase the obligations of the Department of Revenue, if the waiver is approved, by the following department-estimated amounts: (1) minimum of \$10.6 million annually for personnel to provide technical assistance, training, and other resources to support SNAP-authorized retailers in complying with the waiver regarding eligible and ineligible purchases, including advanced notice of the effective date of the waiver; and (2) an undetermined amount dependent on the cost of any computer systems, employee training, or travel needed to comply with the provisions of this bill.