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То	make an appropriation to continue to fund the	1
	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program,	2
	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	3
	programs, and Special Supplemental Nutrition	4
	Program for Women, Infants, and Children	5
	contingent upon a lapse in federal funding.	6

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. (A) As used in this section:	7
(1) "SNAP" means the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance	8
Program administered by the Department of Job and Family	9
Services pursuant to section 5101.54 of the Revised Code.	10
(2) "TANF programs" means the Temporary Assistance for	11
Needy Families programs identified in division (A)(4) of section	12
5101.80 of the Revised Code.	13
(3) "WIC" means the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program	14
for Women, Infants, and Children established under Section 17 of	15
the "Child Nutrition Act of 1966," 42 U.S.C. 1786.	16
(B) Contingent upon a lapse in federal funding, the	17
Director of Job and Family Services shall certify to the	18

Director of Budget and Management the amount necessary to	19
continue to fund the SNAP and TANF programs, and the Director of	20
Health shall certify the amount necessary to continue to fund	21
the WIC program. The amount shall be equivalent to the amount	22
that otherwise would have been received for the respective	23
programs.	24
(C) Subject to division (B) of this section, there is	25
hereby appropriated from the Budget Stabilization Fund the	26
amount necessary, up to the balance in the Budget Stabilization	27
Fund, to continue to fund the SNAP, TANF, and WIC programs.	28
Authorization of this funding expires when the federal	29
government resumes funding operations.	30
Within the limits set forth in this act, the Director of	31
Budget and Management shall establish accounts indicating the	32
source and amount of funds for the appropriations made in this	33
act, and shall determine the manner in which appropriation	34
accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures from the	35
appropriations contained in this act shall be accounted for as	36
though made in, and are subject to all applicable provisions of,	37
H.B. 96 of the 136th General Assembly.	38
(D) The Director of Job and Family Services shall certify	39
to the Director of Budget and Management the amount received in	40
federal reimbursement for the SNAP and TANF programs after the	41
lapse in federal funding has ended, and the Director of Health	42
shall certify the amount received in federal reimbursement for	43
the WIC program after the lapse in federal funding has ended.	44
The Director of Budget and Management shall transfer those	45
certified amounts from the appropriate fund to the Budget	46

Section 2. Section 1 of this act is exempt from the

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Stabilization Fund.

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referendum under Ohio Constitution, Article II, Section 1d	l and 49
section 1.471 of the Revised Code and takes effect immedia	tely 50
when this act becomes law.	51