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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

JOINT RESOLUTION

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$4,800,000 TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) EAT WELL, BE WELL REWARDS PROGRAM

Introduced By: Senator Valarie J. Lawson

Date Introduced: May 22, 2026

Referred To: Senate Finance

1 WHEREAS, The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Eat Well, Be Well
2 Rewards Program is the first statewide program of its kind in the country; and

3 WHEREAS, The Eat Well, Be Well Rewards Program provides approximately 90,000
4 Rhode Island households with up to \$25 a month in additional benefits to purchase fruits and
5 vegetables; and

6 WHEREAS, The Eat Well, Be Well Rewards Program is a vital safety net for the
7 approximately 144,000 SNAP recipients struggling with food insecurity and access to healthy,
8 nutritious foods; and

9 WHEREAS, The Eat Well, Be Well Rewards Program increases the amount of nutritious
10 foods on the tables of our most vulnerable neighbors; now, therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not
12 otherwise appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the sum of four million eight
13 hundred thousand dollars (\$4,800,000) to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Eat
14 Well, Be Well Rewards Program; and the state controller is hereby authorized and directed to
15 draw their orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of said sum, upon receipt of properly
16 authenticated vouchers.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF

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ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) EAT WELL, BE WELL REWARDS PROGRAM

- 1 This resolution would authorize the appropriation of the sum of \$4,800,000 to the
- 2 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Eat Well, Be Well Rewards Program.

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