

FARM BILL 2023



Approximately every five years, Congress reauthorizes the **Farm Bill**. Reauthorization offers policy makers an opportunity to review the programs included in the legislation, consider programmatic changes, and address implementation barriers that may have come up since the previous reauthorization.

- The Farm Bill is broken down into 12 different titles, each of which addresses different departments and programs, including agriculture, conservation and nutrition.
- Title IV, the “nutrition title,” authorizes several federal nutrition programs, including The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). SNAP is our nation’s first line of defense against hunger.

THE FARM BILL IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADVOCATE AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL FOR LEGISLATION THAT WILL:

- Eliminate barriers for college students with low incomes to access SNAP.
- Repeal of the lifetime federal ban on individuals with felony drug convictions from receiving SNAP.
- Allow SNAP benefits to be used to purchase hot prepared foods from grocery stores or convenience stores, like hot rotisserie chicken.
- Create a process to allow for online ordering and delivery of food purchased with SNAP dollars.



SEVERAL BILLS HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED THAT COULD BE ADDED TO THE FARM BILL:

EATS ACT OF 2023

[S.1488/H.R.3183](#)

Eliminates the barriers that college students with low incomes face when accessing SNAP.

SPONSORS:

Sen. Gillibrand (D-NY)
Rep. Gomez (D-CA)

THE RESTORE ACT

[H.R. 3479/S.1753](#)

Repeals the lifetime federal ban on individuals with felony drug convictions from receiving SNAP.

SPONSORS:

Rep. Cohen (D-TN)
Rep. Rutherford (R-FL)
Sen. Warnock (D-GA)
Sen. Booker (D-NJ)

THE HOT FOODS ACT

[H.R. 3519](#)

Ends the prohibition on use of SNAP benefits to purchase hot prepared foods from food retailers.

SPONSORS:

Rep. Meng (D-NY)
Sen. Bennet (D-CO)

PLEASE JOIN US IN ADVOCATING FOR THESE ESSENTIAL REFORMS IN THE 2023 FARM BILL!