

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 706

To amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to allow households with children with chronic medical conditions to deduct allowable medical expenses incurred by such household member that exceeds \$35 per month.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 1, 2023

Ms. BROWN (for herself, Ms. KAPTUR, Mrs. HAYES, and Mr. BISHOP of Georgia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “SNAP Access for  
5 Medically Vulnerable Children Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXCESS MEDICAL EXPENSE DEDUCTION.**

2 Section 5(e)(5) of the Food and Nutrition Act of  
3 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2014(e)(5)) is amended—

4 (1) in subparagraph (A)—

5 (A) by inserting “, or a member who is  
6 under 18 years of age and meets one of the cri-  
7 teria described in subclauses (I) through (III)  
8 of section 1945(h)(1)(A)(ii) of the Social Secu-  
9 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396w-4(h)(1)(A)(ii)),”  
10 after “member” the 1st place it appears, and

11 (B) by striking “elderly or disabled” the  
12 last place it appears and inserting “such”, and

13 (2) by amending subparagraph (B)(ii)(I) to  
14 read as follows:

15 “(I) be designed to minimize the  
16 burden for the eligible household  
17 choosing to deduct the recurrent med-  
18 ical expenses of the elderly or disabled  
19 member, or of the member who is  
20 under 18 years of age and meets one  
21 of the criteria described in subclauses  
22 (I) through (III) of section  
23 1945(h)(1)(A)(ii) of the Social Secu-  
24 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396w-  
25 4(h)(1)(A)(ii)), pursuant to the meth-  
26 od;”.

1 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2       This Act, and the amendments made by this Act,

3 shall take effect on October 1, 2023.

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