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Bill No. HB 1431

Amendment No. ____ (for drafter's use only)

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Representative(s) Lerner offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 7, between lines 18 and 19, of the bill

insert:

Section 4. Subsection (3) is added to section 414.31, Florida Statutes, to read:

414.31 State agency for administering federal food stamp program.--

(3) The state elects, within the provisions of Pub. L. No. 106-387, to adopt more liberal methodologies for valuing vehicles as assets for purposes of food stamp eligibility than the regular food stamp rules allow. The department is directed to exclude from consideration as an asset the value of the vehicles of food stamp applicants and recipients to the same extent that vehicles' values are financially excluded as assets under any program providing assistance under the state program funded under part A of Title IV of the Social Security Act. Additionally, the department shall apply the most favorable rules of resource exclusion, and the most favorable

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1 rules for treating nonprimary vehicles, from either the food
 2 stamp program or any program providing assistance under the
 3 state program funded under part A of Title IV of the Social
 4 Security Act. The department is authorized to adopt rules to
 5 implement this subsection, which rules shall be implemented no
 6 later than January 1, 2002.

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9 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

10 And the title is amended as follows:

11 On page 1, line 22,

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13 after the semicolon, insert:

14 amending s. 414.31, F.S.; providing a
 15 methodology for valuing vehicles as assets for
 16 purposes of food stamp eligibility; providing
 17 rulemaking authority; providing a deadline for
 18 implementation;

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