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Fiscal Note

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S.215 – An act relating to 3SquaresVT

As recommended by the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare

Bill Summary

The bill proposes to implement the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program's (SNAP) Restaurant Meals Program in Vermont. It further proposes to require the Department for Children and Families (DCF) to submit a transition plan for using the U.S. Department of Agriculture's moderate-cost plan to calculate minimum 3SquaresVT benefits.

Fiscal Impact

The bill would create one new permanent classified position, a Restaurant Meals Program navigator, within the Agency of Human Services (AHS) to provide technical assistance to restaurants applying to and participating in the program. The bill would appropriate \$85,000 from the General Fund to AHS in fiscal year 2025 to support the position.