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## Fiscal Note

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### **Act 34 (H.167) – An act relating to establishing the Vermonters Feeding Vermonters Grant at the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets**

As enacted<sup>1,i</sup>

#### **Act Summary**

**T**his act establishes the Vermonters Feeding Vermonters Grant Program within the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets (AAFM).

#### **Background and Details**

The following sections have a fiscal impact.

##### **Section 2: Vermonters Feeding Vermonters Grant Program**

Section 2 creates the Vermonters Feeding Vermonters Grant Program within AAFM. Under this program, AAFM will provide grants to Vermont Foodbank to purchase and distribute food directly from Vermont farms and offer subgrants to partner organizations to purchase products from local farms.

Section 2 requires Vermont Foodbank, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets, to report annually to the House Committee on Agriculture, Food Resiliency, and Forestry and the Senate Committee on Agriculture on the Program's implementation and administration.

##### **Section 3: Appropriation**

Section 3 makes AAFM's duty to implement Section 2 of the act contingent upon an appropriation in fiscal year 2026 from the General Fund for this purpose.

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<sup>i</sup> The bill as originally recommended by the House Committee on Agriculture, Food Resiliency, and Forestry can be found [here](#). The full fiscal note history is available on the fiscal tab of the bill page on the General Assembly website and can be accessed through a bill number search on the JFO page.

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