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118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to permit States to record in writing that applicants for supplemental nutrition assistance benefits have signed an application through a recorded verbal assent over the telephone.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. KUSTER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Streamlining Nutrition
5 Paperwork Act of 2023” or “SNP Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS.**

2 Section 11(e)(2)(C) of the Food and Nutrition Act
3 of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2020(e)(2)(C)) is amended—

4 (1) in clause (ii)—

5 (A) in the heading, by inserting “OR
6 VIDEO”, after “TELEPHONIC”, and

7 (B) by inserting “or by gesture over a
8 video phone for hearing impaired applicants”
9 before the period at the end, and

10 (2) in clause (iii)(I) by inserting “as audio or
11 in writing” after “record”.

12 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS.**

13 (a) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This Act, and the amend-
14 ments made by this Act, shall take effect on January 1,
15 2024.

16 (b) **APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS.**—The amend-
17 ments made by section 2 shall apply with respect to appli-
18 cations made after the effective date of this Act.