



POLICY ALERT

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Today: Fight Hunger by Making a Call!

In Texas, 2.3 million people rely on Food Stamps and more than 1.3 million people--the third highest in the nation--are food insecure. All day today, May 22, support a strong nutrition title in the 2007 Farm Bill by urging your U.S. senators and representative to support H.R. 2129.

H.R. 2129 by Representatives McGovern (D-MA) and Emerson (R-MO) would fight hunger by improving access to the Food Stamp Program, increasing the adequacy of food stamp benefits, and bolstering the emergency food assistance system. It would invest \$20 billion in new five-year spending for anti-hunger priorities. Congress is expected to act on the 2007 Farm Bill this month.

Action Needed: Call your representatives and senators.

Call 1-800-965-4701 and ask the Capitol Switchboard operator to connect you to your Member of Congress' office. If you don't know your Representative or Senators' names visit <http://www.congressmerge.com/onlinedb/index.htm>.) If you are having trouble getting through, try the Capitol Switchboard directly at 202-225-3121 (not toll-free) and ask to be connected to your Members of Congress. The toll-free number is provided courtesy of the American Friends Service Committee.

Urge House Members to communicate to Agriculture Committee Chairman Collin Peterson (D-MN) their support for improving the nation's nutrition safety net in the 2007 Farm Bill by strengthening the Food Stamp and emergency feeding programs and ask them to cosponsor and/or otherwise support H.R. 2129. A strong nutrition title of the 2007 Farm Bill is a must.

Urge Senators to communicate their support to Agriculture Committee Chairman Tom Harkin (D-IA) for improving the nation's safety net in the 2007 Farm Bill by strengthening the Food Stamp and emergency feeding programs. A strong nutrition title of the 2007 Farm Bill is a must.

Learn more about the 2007 Farm Bill and Food Stamps in Texas at <http://www.cppp.org/research.php?aid=671>.

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