

10-144 C.M.R. Ch. 301 – Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Rules

Sections 111-7 and 999-1

SNAP Rule 228A – FRA 2023

Changes Were Made to the Final Rule

Summary of Public Comments and the Department’s Responses

The proposed rule was published on June 28, 2023. A public hearing was scheduled for July 18, 2023. There were no attendees at the public hearing. The public comment deadline was July 31, 2023 and the Department received no written comments.

The Following Changes Were Made to the Final Rule

The Department determined it necessary to make a non-substantial change to align this rule’s definition of Veteran with the Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023 and guidance provided by The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services on June 30, 2023. The adopted rule changes the definition of Veteran to “as defined in Section 5126(f)(13)(F) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act of 2023, means an individual who served in the United States Armed Forces (such as Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, Coast Guard, and National Guard), including an individual who served in a reserve component of the Armed Forces, and who was discharged or released therefrom, regardless of the conditions of such discharge or release.”

In addition, the Department corrected a typographical error in Section 999-1, Trafficking (6) 7 C.F.R. § 271.2 by removing “U” from (7 C.F.R. § 271.2)U as written in the proposed rule.