057985232 1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 2268** 2 3 4 5 Offered January 12, 2005 Prefiled January 11, 2005 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 63.2-505.1, relating to eligibility for food stamp benefits. 6 Patron—Bell 7 8 Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 63.2-505.1 as follows: 11 § 63.2-505.1. Transitional food stamp benefits. 12 To the extent permitted by federal law, the Department shall provide transitional food stamp benefits 13 14 for a period of not more than five months after the date on which Temporary Assistance for Needy 15 Families (TANF) cash assistance is terminated. However, no household shall be eligible for transitional food stamp benefits if TANF cash assistance was terminated because all children in the assistance unit

were removed from the home as a result of a child protective services investigation.