McClintock food stamp limits too strict for GOP

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California Republican Rep. Tom McClintock doesn't believe his party's controversial plan to stiffen work requirements for food stamp recipients goes far enough.

But his proposal to require even more people to work for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits was too strict even for most of his fellow Republicans.

McClintock's amendment to House Republicans' farm bill failed in a vote Thursday night, 83 to 330 (there are 235 Republicans in the House). It could enlarge the target that Democrats have already placed on McClintock's back in this year's election.

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