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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****Nov. 3, 2025****Two policy decisions, one economic hit: What's next for Arizona families**

*SNAP benefits, ACA Marketplace premiums support strong state economy*

**PHOENIX** — Arizona families are facing a one-two punch that could threaten both their food security and their access to affordable health care. **Today's court rulings** temporarily averted a crisis by forcing the release of federal contingency funds to pay for **November SNAP benefits** — dollars that many families rely on to put food on the table. But **as soon as tomorrow**, thousands of Arizonans could see their **ACA Marketplace premiums spike**, putting health insurance out of reach for small business owners, gig workers, and families already struggling to make ends meet.

Below are key Arizona-specific data points tied to both policy areas:

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**Enhanced Premium Tax Credits (ePTCs)**

- Without an extension of ePTCs, [141,000 Arizonans could lose coverage](#), and state and local tax revenues could fall by **\$43 million** (Commonwealth Fund).
- [1 in 4](#) Arizona ACA enrollees in 2022 were small business owners or self-employed workers.
- Nationally, [82%](#) of small business owners and self-employed workers used a premium tax credit to purchase insurance in 2022. (U.S. Treasury).
- ACA marketplace enrollment in Arizona has [grown 177% from 2020–2025](#).
- The number of self-employed and gig-economy workers has [risen 13% from 2019–2023](#). (U.S. Census Bureau Nonemployer Statistics 2019, 2023)

**SNAP: Economic and Tax Impact**

- Every **\$1 of SNAP** invested in children can produce up to [\\$62 in long-term benefits](#) (Bailey et al.).

- Each **\$1 cut** from SNAP for families with children **costs society \$14–\$20** (Columbia University).
- **Losing November SNAP benefits** would reduce U.S. real GDP growth by **0.7 percentage point** (EY-Parthenon).
- USDA estimates that every **\$1 of SNAP generates \$1.54 in economic activity**.
- In Arizona, \$1 in economic activity from SNAP benefits likely generates 7 cents in state taxes.
- The loss of **\$155 million in SNAP spending** could reduce Arizona’s economic activity by **\$238 million and state taxes by \$16.5 million**.
- Arizona has **4,700 SNAP retailers**, including **256 grocery stores** and **53 farmers markets** (USDA).

Please reach out if you’d like additional analysis, Arizona data, or to speak with experts on the potential economic or human impacts of these policy decisions.