

ASSEMBLY, No. 5882

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Establishes State supplement for federal summer food service program meals.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/14/2021)

1 AN ACT concerning summer food service programs and
2 supplementing Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. The Department of Agriculture, in consultation with the
8 Department of Education, shall provide a 10-cent per meal
9 supplement to the existing federal reimbursement to operators of the
10 federal summer food service program.

11 b. The Department of Agriculture, in consultation with the
12 Department of Education, shall provide guidance and support to
13 school districts necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act.

14 c. The Department of Agriculture, in consultation with the
15 Department of Education, shall prepare and issue an annual report
16 to the Governor and, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164
17 (C.52:14-19.1), to the Legislature on the annual cost of the summer
18 food service program supplement to the State per month, and the
19 number of additional students, since the prior year, participating in
20 the summer food service program.

21 d. The Legislature shall annually appropriate such funds as are
22 necessary to implement this act.

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24 2. This act shall take effect June 1, 2023.

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STATEMENT

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29 This bill requires the Department of Agriculture, in consultation
30 with the Department of Education, to develop and administer a
31 summer food service program State supplement to provide an
32 additional reimbursement to certain school districts that participate
33 in the federal summer food service program.

34 Under the bill, the State would provide a 10-cent per meal
35 supplement to the existing federal reimbursement to operators of the
36 federal summer food service program.

37 The bill directs the Department of Agriculture, in consultation
38 with the Department of Education, to provide guidance and support
39 to operators of the federal summer food service program, and to
40 prepare and issue an annual report detailing the annual cost of the
41 State supplement per month and the number and percentage of
42 additional students participating in the federal summer food service
43 program.

44 The bill specifies that the Legislature is to annually appropriate
45 funds necessary to implement the bill. The bill's effective date is
46 June 1, 2023.