CHAPTER 247

AN ACT concerning school breakfast programs and supplementing Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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

C.18A:33-11.7 Department of Agriculture, provision of "breakfast after the bell" per meal financial supplement; annual report; funds appropriation.

- 1. a. The Department of Agriculture, in consultation with the Department of Education, shall provide a 10-cent per breakfast supplement to the existing federal reimbursement to school districts that participate in the federal school breakfast program by providing "breakfast after the bell."
- b. The Department of Agriculture, in consultation with the Department of Education, shall provide guidance and support to school districts necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act.
- c. The Department of Agriculture, in consultation with the Department of Education, shall prepare and issue an annual report to the Governor and, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), to the Legislature on the annual cost of the breakfast supplement to the State, and the number of additional students, since the prior year, participating in the "breakfast after the bell" program for each school district.
- d. The Legislature shall annually appropriate such funds as are necessary to implement this act.
 - 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the 2022-2023 school year.

Approved September 30, 2021.