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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1569

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

13 AN ACT TO ALLOW EXCESS FOOD DISTRIBUTION BY A PUBLIC  
14 SCHOOL OR OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL TO A  
15 STUDENT WHO IS ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL OR OPEN-  
16 ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER  
17 PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

21 TO ALLOW EXCESS FOOD DISTRIBUTION BY A  
22 PUBLIC SCHOOL OR OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC  
23 CHARTER SCHOOL TO A STUDENT WHO IS  
24 ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL OR OPEN-  
25 ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL.

28 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

30 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 18, Subchapter 7, is amended  
31 to add an additional section to read as follows:

32 6-18-714. Distribution of excess food.

33 (a)(1) As used in this section, "excess food" means any food that  
34 remains after a school has served breakfast and lunch to students during a  
35 school day.

36 (2) "Excess food" does not include any food that has expired,



1 been opened, or been consumed.

2 (b) A public school or an open-enrollment public charter school may  
3 distribute excess food to students enrolled in the public school or open-  
4 enrollment public charter school.

5 (c)(1) The method by which a public school or open-enrollment public  
6 charter school distributes excess food shall be established by the public  
7 school or open-enrollment public charter school in accordance with the *United*  
8 *States Department of Agriculture and the United States Food and Drug*  
9 *Administration requirements and guidelines for the distribution of excess*  
10 *food and in consultation with the Department of Health guidelines.*

11 (2) A public school or open-enrollment public charter school may  
12 develop a policy describing the process for distributing excess food under  
13 this section, saving excess food for later consumption, or donating excess  
14 food.

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