

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

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HOUSE BILL

By: Representatives Adcock, Abernathy, J. Johnson, Blount, Saunders
Cook, Rainey

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pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FREE
MEALS TO STUDENTS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REDUCED-
PRICE MEALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO PROVIDE
FREE MEALS TO STUDENTS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE
FOR REDUCED-PRICE MEALS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 20, Subchapter 7 is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-20-710. Free meals for eligible students.

(a) A student who is eligible to receive reduced-price meals under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 shall be eligible to receive meals at no cost under this section.

(b) For each free lunch and breakfast provided under this section the Department of Education shall reimburse the school district's nonprofit food service account the amount that would have been paid by the student for reduced-price meals.

(c) The department shall reimburse a school district's nonprofit food service account on a monthly basis upon receiving a reimbursement claim form

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1 from the school district showing the number of lunches and breakfasts
2 provided under this section.

3 (d)(1) This section shall apply only to the extent that funds have
4 been appropriated for this purpose and are available.

5 (2) If the funding is not sufficient to continue this program
6 for an entire school year, then the program shall be offered for the number
7 of days for which funding is sufficient.

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