



SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
(803)734-0640 • RFA.SC.GOV/IMPACTS

Bill Number: H. 3328 Amended by House Education and Public Works
Subcommittee on February 12, 2020

Author: King

Subject: Free and Reduced Lunch Students

Requestor: House Education and Public Works

RFA Analyst(s): Wren

Impact Date: February 18, 2020

Fiscal Impact Summary

The amended bill will have no expenditure impact on the Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities (GSAH), the Governor's School for Science and Mathematics (GSSM), the John de la Howe School, the School for the Deaf and Blind, or the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School. These schools do not provide alternate meals to students who are eligible to receive federally reimbursable meals.

The State Department of Education surveyed the regular school districts and the charter school districts regarding the expenditure impact of the bill. Thirty-two school districts responded and indicate that they do not provide an alternate meal to students who are eligible to receive federally reimbursable meals. Based upon these responses, we anticipate that none of the school districts provide alternate meals to students who receive federally reimbursable meals. Therefore, we anticipate that the amended bill will have no expenditure impact on the regular school districts and the charter school districts.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Amended by House Education and Public Works Subcommittee on February 12, 2020 **State Expenditure**

The amended bill requires students who are eligible to receive federally reimbursable meals and students eligible to receive reduced price federally reimbursable meals to be offered the same choice of meals and milk offered to children that pay full price for meals and milk, regardless of whether one lunch or milk meets the requirements prescribed in the National School Lunch Program and the Special Milk Program for Children. The provisions of the amended bill do not prohibit a school from offering an alternate menu item to students that are required to pay full price or a reduced price for meals, but fail to pay as required.

The Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities (GSAH), the Governor's School for Science and Mathematics (GSSM), the John de la Howe School, the School for the Deaf and Blind, and the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School indicate that they do not provide alternate meals to students who are eligible to receive federally reimbursable meals. Therefore, the amended bill will have no expenditure impact on these agencies.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

The amended bill requires students who are eligible to receive federally reimbursable meals and students eligible to receive reduced price federally reimbursable meals to be offered the same choice of meals and milk offered to children that pay full price for meals and milk, regardless of whether one lunch or milk meets the requirements prescribed in the National School Lunch Program and the Special Milk Program for Children. The provisions of the amended bill do not prohibit a school from offering an alternate menu item to students that are required to pay full price or a reduced price for meals, but fail to pay as required.

Regular School Districts and Charter School Districts. The State Department of Education surveyed the regular school districts and the charter school districts regarding the expenditure impact of this bill. Thirty-two school districts responded and indicate that they do not provide an alternate meal to students who are eligible to receive federally reimbursable meals. Based upon these responses, we anticipate that none of the school districts provide alternate meals to students who receive federally reimbursable meals. Therefore, we anticipate that the amended bill will have no expenditure impact on the regular school districts and the charter school districts.

Local Revenue

N/A



Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director