

Senate Bill 314

Introduced Senate Bill (S)

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DIGEST

Student meals and lunch shaming. Requires public schools, charter schools, and nonpublic schools that participate in the national school lunch program or national school breakfast program, or both, to provide a meal that meets the reimbursable meal requirements established by the United States Department of Agriculture to a student if: (1) the student requests a meal; and (2) the student's parent or guardian has not submitted a written request that the school not serve the student a meal. Prohibits the schools from the following: (1) Requiring a student to dispose of a meal because of the student's inability to pay for the meal or the student owes meal debt for previous meals. (2) Publicly identifying or stigmatizing a student of the school who is unable to pay for a meal or owes a meal debt. (3) Requiring a student of the school who is unable to pay for a meal or owes a meal debt to perform chores or other work for the purposes of paying for the meal or meal debt. Requires the schools to take certain actions if a student owes money to the school for more than four meals.