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LD 2017 An Act to Update Certain Statutes Governing School Nutrition

Public Law 2025, chapter 717 amends provisions of education law governing applications for free or reduced-price school meals by removing the requirement that the Department of Education contract for the development and implementation of an Internet-based application for such school meals, instead simply permitting the department to take these actions. The law also changes requirements for making the application available on the department's publicly accessible website and instead permits the department to make the application available on a publicly accessible website. It also removes the requirement that a public school is solely responsible for processing that school's online applications and add as an alternative recipient of the application, another agency making the eligibility determination for free or reduced-price meals.

Public Law 2025, chapter 717 modifies provisions governing alternative breakfast delivery service in schools by removing an exemption applying to certain school administrative units and removing the requirement that the department adopt rules related to the alternative breakfast delivery service, including rules establishing procedures to track health and academic outcomes of students and schools that participate in the service and schools' annual increase in participation in the service.

LD 2046 An Act to Update Certain Duties Regarding Student Health Related to Communicable and Infectious Disease

Public Law 2025, chapter 627 clarifies the duties of school personnel, superintendents and parents with regard to reporting symptoms of communicable or infectious diseases and adds a requirement that a member of school personnel who has reason to believe that a student is showing symptoms of a communicable or infectious disease must inform a building administrator. The law requires that a building administrator informed by a member of school personnel that a student is showing symptoms of a communicable or infectious disease must consult with the school nurse and inform the superintendent upon recommendation of the school nurse.

Public Law 2025, chapter 627 also clarifies that the duty for school nurses to supervise and coordinate health-related activities must be carried out in accordance with the most recent school nursing practices and follow all applicable rules adopted by the State Board of Nursing. It also requires the guidelines on the provision of school health services and health-related activities to be based on state and national standards and updated at least every three years and updates the term "epinephrine autoinjector" to "epinephrine automated device."

LD 2050 An Act to Dissolve the Great Salt Bay Community School District

Private and Special Law 2025, chapter 12 dissolves the Great Salt Bay Community School District.

Private and Special Law 2025, chapter 12 was enacted as an emergency measure effective March 3, 2026.