

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 1558

S.P. 524

In Senate, February 25, 1999

**Resolve, to Provide Incentives for School Breakfast Programs in Maine
Public Schools.**

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Speaker ROWE of Portland and
Senators: BENOIT of Franklin, SMALL of Sagadahoc, TREAT of Kennebec,
Representatives: BELANGER of Caribou, BRENNAN of Portland, DUNLAP of Old Town,
MURPHY of Kennebunk.

2 **Sec. 1. School breakfast incentive grants. Resolved:** That any
3 school in which at least 30% of the students enrolled on October
4 1, 1998 were eligible for free or reduced-price meals qualifies
5 for a one-time support grant of up to \$3,000 toward the cost of
6 establishing a school breakfast program.

7 1. A school qualifying for a grant that chooses not to
8 establish a school breakfast program shall file a report with the
9 Department of Education explaining why it chose not to offer a
10 school breakfast program.

11 2. Nothing in this section prevents a school not qualifying
12 for a grant from implementing a school breakfast program at any
13 time.

14 3. The Department of Education shall administer this
15 section and manage the grant process. The department shall
16 notify schools of their eligibility for a grant under this
17 section. The department may adopt rules necessary for
18 implementation of this section and for compliance with federal
19 guidelines for the National School Breakfast Program. Rules
20 adopted under this section are routine technical rules as defined
21 in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A; and be it further
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23 **Sec. 2. Application. Resolved:** That the grants provided under
24 this resolve are available during with the 1999-2000 school year
25 for eligible schools that did not offer a school breakfast
26 program during the 1998-1999 school year; and be it further
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28 **Sec. 3. Appropriation. Resolved:** That the following funds are
29 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of
30 this resolve.
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34 **1999-00**

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36 **EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**
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38 **School Breakfast Program**

39	All Other	\$240,000
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41	Provides funds for grants to	
42	eligible public schools to	
43	establish school breakfast	
44	programs.	
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SUMMARY

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4 This resolve establishes a one-time grant program
6 administered by the Department of Education to encourage schools
that have a high percentage of their student body who are
eligible for free or reduced-price school meals to establish
school breakfast programs.