

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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L.D. 816

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Majority

**EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**SENATE**

**128TH LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 261, L.D. 816, Bill, "An Act To Promote Academic Achievement through Hunger Relief for Maine Children"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §6602, sub-§1, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 539, Pt. III, §1, is amended to read:

A. A public school shall participate in the National School Lunch Program in accordance with 7 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 210 (2007) and provide ~~Type-A~~ reimbursable meals as determined by the United States Department of Agriculture. The State shall provide 20¢ of the funding difference between the federal lunch reduced reimbursement rate and the federal free lunch reimbursement rate for every reduced-price lunch at a public school participating in the National School Lunch Program.

**Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

**School Finance and Operations Z078**

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to pay school administrative units 20¢ of the difference between federal reimbursements for reduced-price school lunches and free school lunches for every reduced-price lunch at a public school participating in the National School Lunch Program.

30	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
31	All Other	\$246,356	\$246,356
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33	<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<u>\$246,356</u>	<u>\$246,356</u>

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

1 **School Finance and Operations Z078**

2 Initiative: Provides one-time funds to make the necessary modifications to the existing  
 3 school meal software application in order to pay school administrative units the  
 4 difference between the federal reimbursements for reduced-price school lunches and free  
 5 school lunches.

6	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
7	All Other	\$100,000	\$0
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9	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>
10	<b>EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF</b>		
11	<b>DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
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13	GENERAL FUND	\$346,356	\$246,356
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15	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$346,356</u>	<u>\$246,356</u>
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17 **SUMMARY**

18 This amendment is the majority report of the committee and replaces the bill. The  
 19 amendment directs the State to fund 20% of the funding difference between the federal  
 20 lunch reduced reimbursement rate and the federal free lunch reimbursement rate for every  
 21 reduced-price lunch at every public school participating in the National School Lunch  
 22 Program. The amendment also clarifies that schools must provide reimbursable instead  
 23 of Type A meals.

24 The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

25 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

26 (See attached)



# 128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 816

LR 1526(02)

An Act To Promote Academic Achievement through Hunger Relief for Maine Children

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-150)  
 Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs  
 Fiscal Note Required: Yes

## Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$346,356	\$246,356	\$246,356	\$246,356
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$346,356	\$246,356	\$246,356	\$246,356

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$346,356 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$246,356 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the School Finance and Operations program within the Department of Education for the costs associated with the State funding \$0.20 of the difference between the federal reimbursements for reduced-price school lunches and free school lunches for every reduced price lunch at every public school participating in the National School Lunch Program. Of that amount, \$100,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 is required on a one-time basis in order for the department to modify the existing school meal software application. The balance of \$246,356 is required for the ongoing annual cost to fund the difference between the 2 lunch programs. This estimate is based on 2016 data in which 1,231,779 reduced lunches were served.