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SYNOPSIS

Requires public and nonpublic schools to notify students and parents of availability of summer meals programs and locations where meals are served.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/6/2018)

1 AN ACT concerning notification of summer meals program and
2 supplementing Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. a. Each school district in the State shall notify each student
8 enrolled in the school district and the student's parent or guardian of
9 the availability of, and criteria of eligibility for, the summer meals
10 program and the locations in the school district where the summer
11 meals are available. The school district shall provide this notification
12 by distributing flyers provided by the Department of Agriculture
13 pursuant to subsection c. of this section. The school district may also
14 provide electronic notice of the information through the usual means
15 by which the school district communicates with parents and students
16 electronically.

17 b. Each nonpublic school in the State shall notify each student
18 enrolled in the school and the student's parent or guardian of the
19 availability of, and criteria of eligibility for, the summer meals
20 program and the locations in the local school district in which the
21 nonpublic school is located or the nonpublic school student resides
22 where the summer meals are available. Each nonpublic school shall
23 provide this notification by distributing flyers provided by the
24 Department of Agriculture pursuant to subsection c. of this section.
25 The school may also provide electronic notice of the information
26 through the usual means by which the school communicates with
27 parents and students electronically.

28 c. The Department of Agriculture shall develop and distribute
29 flyers, no later than June 1 of the school year, to each school district
30 and nonpublic school in the State to implement the requirements of
31 subsections a. and b. of this section.

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33 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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38 This bill requires each school district and nonpublic school in the
39 State to notify each student enrolled in the school district or
40 nonpublic school and the student's parent or guardian of the
41 availability of, and criteria of eligibility for, the summer meals
42 program and the locations in the local school district where the
43 summer meals are available. Each school district or nonpublic
44 school would provide notification by distributing flyers provided by
45 the Department of Agriculture. The bill requires that the
46 Department of Agriculture develop and distribute the flyer to each
47 school district and nonpublic school in the State no later than June 1
48 of the school year. Additionally, school districts and nonpublic

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- 1 schools are permitted to provide electronic notice of the information
- 2 through the usual means by which the school district or nonpublic
- 3 school communicate with parents and students electronically.