

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 222

AN ACT

To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to allow schools that participate in the school lunch program to serve whole milk, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Whole Milk for
3 Healthy Kids Act of 2025”.

4 **SEC. 2. ORGANIC OR NON-ORGANIC WHOLE MILK PERMIS-**
5 **SIBLE.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 9(a)(2) of the Richard B.
7 Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C.
8 1758(a)(2)) is amended—

9 (1) in subparagraph (A)—

10 (A) by striking clauses (i) and (ii) and in-
11 serting the following:

12 “(i) shall offer students a variety of
13 fluid milk;

14 “(ii) may offer students options which
15 may include flavored and unflavored or-
16 ganic or nonorganic whole, reduced-fat,
17 low-fat, and fat-free fluid milk and lactose-
18 free fluid milk, and nondairy beverages
19 that are nutritionally equivalent to fluid
20 milk and meet the nutritional standards
21 established by the Secretary (which shall,
22 among other requirements to be deter-
23 mined by the Secretary, include fortifica-
24 tion of calcium, protein, vitamin A, and vi-
25 tamin D to levels found in cow’s milk);
26 and”;

1 (B) in clause (iii), by striking “physician”
 2 and inserting “physician, parent, or legal
 3 guardian”;

4 (2) in subparagraph (C), in the matter pre-
 5 ceding clause (i), by striking “fluid milk products”
 6 and inserting “products described in subparagraph
 7 (A)(ii)”;

8 (3) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(D) SATURATED FAT.—Milk fat included
 10 in any fluid milk provided under subparagraph
 11 (A) shall not be considered saturated fat for
 12 purposes of measuring compliance with the al-
 13 lowable average saturated fat content of a meal
 14 under section 210.10 of title 7, Code of Federal
 15 Regulations (or successor regulations).

16 “(E) APPLICATION.—Subparagraph (B)(ii)
 17 is not applicable to a school that offers
 18 nondairy beverages under subparagraph
 19 (A)(ii).”.

20 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

21 (1) Section 14(f) of the Richard B. Russell Na-
 22 tional School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1762a(f)) is
 23 amended in the third sentence by inserting “or a
 24 nondairy beverage that meets the nutritional stand-
 25 ards described in section 9(a)(2)(B)” after “milk”.

(2) Section 20(c) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1769b(c)) is amended by striking “patterns and fluid milk requirements” and inserting “patterns, fluid milk requirements, and nutritional standards for nondairy beverages”.

SEC. 3. INCLUDING FOOD ALLERGY INFORMATION IN EXISTING TRAINING MODULES FOR LOCAL FOOD SERVICE PERSONNEL.

(a) **FOOD ALLERGY TRAINING MODULE.**—Section 7(g)(2)(B)(iii) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1776(g)(2)(B)(iii)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subclauses (II) and (III) as subclauses (III) and (IV), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after subclause (I) the following:

“(II) food allergies, including information on the best practices to prevent, recognize, and respond to food-related allergic reactions;”.

(b) **CERTIFICATION.**—Section 7(g)(2)(B)(ii)(II) of

1 the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C.
2 1776(g)(2)(B)(ii)(II)) is amended by striking “clause (i)”
3 and inserting “clauses (i) and (iii)”.

Passed the Senate November 20, 2025.

Attest:

Secretary.

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