
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MAY 19, 2023

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Department of Agriculture and the Department of
2 Education to collaborate on conducting a Statewide study of
3 school cafeteria services provided to every school district.

4 WHEREAS, Federal law requires that school kitchens be
5 inspected twice per year; and

6 WHEREAS, The Department of Agriculture conducts and regulates
7 inspections for restaurants and schools and provides inspection
8 reports on food safety on its website; and

9 WHEREAS, A facility may have a few violations and still be
10 considered in compliance; and

11 WHEREAS, Additionally, the Department of Education's Food and
12 Nutrition Division assists school districts with resources to
13 provide students with quality meals; and

14 WHEREAS, Some school districts may struggle with serving
15 quality and healthy meal portions which has an impact on the
16 health and well-being of students; and

17 WHEREAS, It is imperative that each school district ensures
18 that each student receives quality meals and portions necessary

1 for their best academic performance; therefore be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge the
3 Department of Agriculture and the Department of Education to
4 collaborate on conducting a Statewide study of school cafeteria
5 services provided to every school district; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the study shall:

7 (1) set standards for school meal quality and quantity,
8 including portion size, based on grade or age level;

9 (2) determine the nutritional and caloric content of
10 breakfast and lunch meals served at public schools in this
11 Commonwealth in comparison to school meal quality and
12 quantity standards;

13 (3) evaluate the costs for each school district to
14 prepare meals and the costs charged to students for those
15 meals; and

16 (4) make recommendations of legislation or legislative
17 action required to ensure that all school districts meet
18 school meal nutrition and quality standards;

19 and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the Department of Agriculture and the
21 Department of Education issue a report with their findings and
22 recommendations to the General Assembly and post the study on
23 the departments' publicly accessible Internet websites within
24 one year of the adoption of this resolution.