

CHAPTER 27

AN ACT concerning school meals and amending P.L.2015, c.15.

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

1. Section 1 of P.L.2015, c.15 (C.18A:33-21) is amended to read as follows:

C.18A:33-21 School meals, notification to parent, guardian of arrears before denying to student; report.

1. In the event that a school district determines that a student's school breakfast or school lunch bill is in arrears, the district shall contact the student's parent or guardian to provide notice of the arrearage and shall provide the parent or guardian with a period of 10 school days to pay the amount due. If the student's parent or guardian has not made full payment by the end of the 10 school days, then the district shall again contact the student's parent or guardian to provide notice that school breakfast or school lunch, as applicable, shall not be served to the student beginning one week from the date of the second notice unless payment is made in full.

A school district shall report at least biannually to the Department of Agriculture the number of students who are denied school breakfast or school lunch pursuant to this section.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved May 30, 2018.