

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

Whereas, Congress enacted, and the President signed into law, the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010; and

Whereas, under the new nutrition standards implemented in 2012, school meal programs have experienced increased costs and administrative burdens, while struggling with student acceptance of new menu items and increased plate waste; and

Whereas, as a result of the new nutrition standards, one million fewer students are choosing school meals each day; and

Whereas, approximately forty-seven percent of school meal programs report that overall revenue declined in the 2012-2013 school year; and

Whereas, school districts need relief from increasing operational costs associated with the federal mandates; and

Whereas, Missourians would benefit from a more common sense approach to school nutrition:

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the members of the Missouri Senate, Ninety-eighth General Assembly, First Regular Session, hereby urge the Missouri congressional delegation to make changes in the Child Nutrition Act Reauthorization in 2015 to promote a healthy school environment for children, provide reasonable flexibility in the operation of school meal programs, maximize program efficiency, ensure overall sustainability of child nutrition programs, and encourage local school districts and school nutrition programs to work with local farm-to-table organizations where appropriate; and

Be It Further Resolved that the Secretary of the Missouri Senate be instructed to prepare properly inscribed copies of this resolution for each member of the Missouri congressional delegation.

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