

REFERENCE TITLE: **students; unpaid school meal fees**

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SB 1483

Introduced by
Senators Diaz: Alston, Fernandez, Marsh; Representative Hernandez A

AN ACT

**AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 15-120.05; RELATING TO SCHOOL MEALS.**

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 15, chapter 1, article 1, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 15-120.05, to read:

4 15-120.05. School meals; unpaid fees; nutrition standards

5 A. A PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL ENSURE THAT A STUDENT WHOSE PARENT OR
6 GUARDIAN HAS NOT PAID THE STUDENT'S SCHOOL MEAL FEES IS NOT SHAMED,
7 TREATED DIFFERENTLY OR SERVED A MEAL THAT DIFFERS FROM WHAT A STUDENT WHO
8 DOES NOT HAVE UNPAID SCHOOL MEAL FEES RECEIVES UNDER THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL'S
9 POLICY. THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT A SCHOOL FROM SERVING AN
10 ALTERNATIVE MEAL TO A STUDENT WHO REQUIRES A SPECIAL MEAL FOR A DIETARY OR
11 RELIGIOUS REASON.

12 B. SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND VOLUNTEERS AT A PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT SERVES
13 MEALS THAT MEET THE NUTRITION STANDARDS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 15-242 TO
14 STUDENTS DURING THE INSTRUCTIONAL DAY MAY NOT TAKE DISCIPLINARY ACTION
15 AGAINST A STUDENT THAT RESULTS IN THE DENIAL OR DELAY OF A MEAL THAT MEETS
16 THE NUTRITION STANDARDS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 15-242.