



# Child Nutrition Reauthorization

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# Keep Kids Fed Act



- Extends USDA's authority to issue summer nutrition waivers through September 30, 2022; meal pattern waivers through June 30, 2022, and non-cost nationwide waivers through school year 2022–2023
- Increases reimbursements: school breakfast by \$0.15 cents, school lunch by \$0.40 cents, and CACFP by \$0.10
- Extends the area eligibility waiver allowing family child care homes to receive the higher Tier 1 reimbursements

# Healthy Meals, Healthy Kids Act



- FRAC strongly supports
- Bill is advancing to House floor
  - Approved by House Committee on Education and Labor on July 27<sup>th</sup>
- Will dramatically increase children's access to federal nutrition programs and reduce administrative challenges

# Community Eligibility Provisions



- Expands CEP, allowing more schools to offer free meals to all students
- Multiplier raised from 1.6 to 2.5
- Lowers eligibility threshold from 40% ISP to 25% ISP
- Creates statewide CEP option

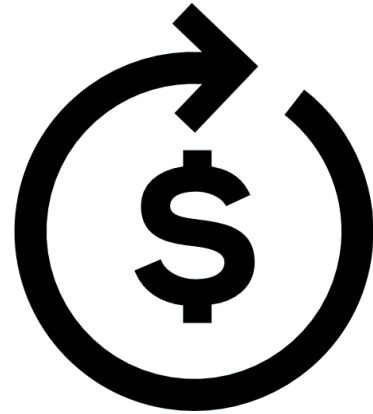
# School Meals

## Reimbursement Rates

- Increases free, reduced-price, and paid lunch reimbursement rates by **10 cents**
- Adds **6 cents** in commodities for school breakfasts

## Eligibility

- Allows Medicaid direct certification for free and reduced-price school meals
- Makes kids retroactively eligible to the start of the school year



# Unpaid School Meal Fees

- Prohibits overt identification of students whose households have unpaid school meal fees including disposal of a child's food
- Requires schools to take steps to determine if students whose households have unpaid meal fees are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals
- Sets parameters for the collection of unpaid school meal fees
- Creates an Unpaid Meal Debt National Advisory Council



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