

Union Calendar No. 111

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 649

[Report No. 119–142]

To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to allow schools that participate in the school lunch program under such Act to serve whole milk.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 23, 2025

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania (for himself, Ms. SCHRIER, Mr. FINSTAD, Ms. CRAIG, Ms. TOKUDA, Mr. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida, Mr. MEUSER, Mr. ESTES, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mrs. CAMMACK, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. VAN ORDEN, Mr. LANGWORTHY, Ms. PINGREE, Ms. DE LA CRUZ, Mr. BOST, Mr. MANN, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr. FULCHER, Mr. JACKSON of Texas, Mr. GRAVES, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. ALFORD, Mr. BACON, Mr. OWENS, Mr. COSTA, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. TAYLOR, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. PERRY, Mr. DELUZIO, Mr. MACKENZIE, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. BRESNAHAN, Mr. POCAN, Mr. HARDER of California, Mr. STEIL, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Mr. BARR, Ms. BUDZINSKI, Mr. RYAN, Mr. VASQUEZ, Mrs. FISCHBACH, Mr. SMUCKER, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. GOLDEN of Maine, Mr. ROSE, Mr. MESSMER, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. LAWLER, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. WIED, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mrs. HINSON, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. SORENSEN, Mr. HARRIS of North Carolina, Mr. TONKO, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. GUEST) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Workforce

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Additional sponsors: Ms. MALOY, Mr. GRAY, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, Mr. RILEY of New York, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. MANNION, Ms. McDONALD RIVET, Mr. ALLEN, Ms. LETLOW, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. RULLI, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. BENTZ, Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr.

WOMACK, Mr. SUOZZI, Mrs. HOUCHIN, Ms. BALINT, Mr. MOORE of North Carolina, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. BAUMGARTNER, Mr. COMER, Mr. CARTER of Texas, Ms. SALINAS, Ms. FOXX, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. ONDER, Mr. MOYLAN, Mr. YAKYM, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mrs. MCCLAIN DELANEY, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. DOWNING, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Ms. SCHOLTEN, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Mr. TIFFANY, and Mr. FEENSTRA

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on January 23, 2025]

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Whole Milk for Healthy*
 5 *Kids Act of 2025”.*

6 **SEC. 2. ORGANIC OR NON-ORGANIC WHOLE MILK PERMIS-**
 7 **SIBLE.**

8 *Section 9(a)(2) of the Richard B. Russell National*
 9 *School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(a)(2)) is amended—*
 10 *(1) by amending subparagraph (A) to read as*
 11 *follows:*

12 *“(A) IN GENERAL.—Lunches served by*
 13 *schools participating in the school lunch pro-*
 14 *gram under this Act—*

15 *“(i) shall offer students a variety of*
 16 *fluid milk;*

17 *“(ii) may offer students flavored and*
 18 *unflavored organic or non-organic whole,*
 19 *reduced-fat, low-fat, and fat-free fluid milk*
 20 *and lactose-free fluid milk; and*

21 *“(iii) shall provide a substitute for*
 22 *fluid milk for students whose disability re-*
 23 *stricts their diet, on receipt of a written*
 24 *statement from a licensed physician, parent,*
 25 *or legal guardian that identifies the dis-*

1 *ability that restricts the student’s diet and*
2 *that specifies the substitute for fluid milk.”;*
3 *and*

4 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

5 “(D) *SATURATED FAT.—Milk fat included*
6 *in any fluid milk provided under subparagraph*
7 *(A) shall not be considered saturated fat for pur-*
8 *poses of measuring compliance with the allow-*
9 *able average saturated fat content of a meal*
10 *under section 210.10 of title 7, Code of Federal*
11 *Regulations (or successor regulations).*

12 “(E) *PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN PUR-*
13 *CHASES.—The Secretary shall prohibit schools*
14 *participating in the school lunch program under*
15 *this Act from purchasing or offering milk pro-*
16 *duced by a China state-owned enterprise.*

17 “(F) *LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY.—The Sec-*
18 *retary may not prohibit any school participating*
19 *in the school lunch program under this Act from*
20 *offering students the milk described in subpara-*
21 *graph (A)(ii).”.*

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