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By COMMITTEE ON SCHOOLS AND
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

A BILL FOR

An Act to provide for the establishment, maintenance, operation,
and expansion of non-profit school lunch programs in public
schools in the state of Iowa.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. Definitions. For the purpose of this act:

2 (1) "School board" means a board of school directors
3 regularly elected by the qualified voters of a school corporation
4 or district of the state of Iowa.

5 (2) "School" means a public school of high school grade
6 or under.

7 (3) "School lunch program" means a program under which
8 lunches are served by any public school in the state of Iowa
9 on a non-profit basis to children in attendance, including any
10 such program under which a school receives assistance out of
11 funds appropriated by the congress of the United States.

1 Sec. 2. School boards. School boards shall have power to
2 operate or provide for the operation of school lunch programs
3 in schools under their jurisdiction, and may use therefor funds
4 disbursed to them under the provisions of this act, gifts, funds
5 received from sale of school lunches under such programs, and

6 any other funds legally available.

1 Sec. 3. Expenditure of federal funds. The superintendent
2 of public instruction is hereby authorized to accept and direct
3 the disbursement of funds appropriated by any act of congress
4 and appropriated to the state of Iowa for use in connection
5 with school lunch programs. The superintendent of public
6 instruction shall deposit all such funds with the treasurer of
7 the state of Iowa, who shall make disbursements therefrom upon
8 the direction of the superintendent of public instruction.

1 Sec. 4. Administration of program. The superintendent
2 of public instruction may enter into such agreements with any
3 agency of the federal government, with any school board, or with
4 any other agency or person, prescribe such regulations, employ
5 such personnel, and take such other action as it may deem
6 necessary to provide for the establishment, maintenance,
7 operation, and expansion of any school lunch program, and to
8 direct the disbursement of federal and state funds, in
9 accordance with any applicable provisions of federal or state
10 law. The superintendent of public instruction may give
11 technical advice and assistance to any school board in connection
12 with the establishment and operation of any school lunch program
13 and may assist in training personnel engaged in the operation
14 of such program. The superintendent of public instruction and
15 any school board may accept any gift for use in connection with
16 any school lunch program.

1 Sec. 5. Accounts, records, reports, and operations. The

2 superintendent of public instruction shall prescribe regulations
3 for the keeping of accounts and records and the making of reports
4 by or under the supervision of school boards. Such accounts and
5 records shall at all times be available for inspection and audit
6 by authorized officials and shall be preserved for such period
7 of time, not in excess of five (5) years, as the superintendent
8 of public instruction may lawfully prescribe. The superintendent
9 of public instruction shall conduct or cause to be conducted,
10 such audits and inspections with respect to school lunch
11 programs as may be necessary to determine whether its agreement
12 with school boards and regulations made pursuant to this act
13 are being complied with, and to insure that school lunch
14 programs are effectively administered.

1 Sec. 6. Studies, appraisals, and reports to governor.

2 The superintendent of public instruction is hereby authorized,
3 and to the extent that funds are available for that purpose,
4 and in cooperation with other appropriate agencies and
5 organizations, to conduct studies of methods of improving and
6 expanding school lunch programs and promoting nutritional
7 education in the schools, to conduct appraisals of the nutritive
8 benefits of school lunch programs, and to report its findings
9 and recommendations from time to time to the governor.

1 Sec. 7. Appropriation of state funds. There is hereby
2 authorized to be appropriated out of money in the state treasury
3 not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to
4 enable the superintendent of public instruction to provide for

5 the establishment, maintenance, operation, and expansion of
6 school lunch programs, including the payment of administrative
7 expenses.

1 Sec. 8. This act being deemed of immediate importance
2 shall take effect and be in force from and after its being
3 published in the, a newspaper published in
4, Iowa, and the, a
5 newspaper published in, Iowa.