

on *School lunches to be provided.*

N.J.R.S. 18A:33-1

( Amendment )

LAWS OF 1974

CHAPTER 53 *June 26, 1974*

SENATE BILL

ASSEMBLY BILL 442 (A 1156-CER-1972)

INTRODUCED *Pre-filed*

BY *Bornheimer*

SPONSOR'S STATEMENT

YES  NO

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE STATEMENT

YES NO

SENATE COMMITTEE STATEMENT

YES NO

FISCAL NOTE

YES NO

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE

YES NO

HEARING *None discovered*

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ASSEMBLY, No. 442

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ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 442**

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ADOPTED MARCH 28, 1974

Amend page 1, section 1, line 2, after "within", omit "2 years" and insert "1 year".

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 442**

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ADOPTED MAY 13, 1974

Amend page 1, title, line 1, omit "all".

Amend page 1, section 1, after line 6, insert a new section as follows:

"2. Any school in which less than 5% of pupils enrolled meet the eligibility requirements for a free or reduced price lunch shall be exempt from the provisions of this act."

Amend page 1, section 2, line 1, omit "2.", insert "3."

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
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DATED: MAY 13, 1974

The Senate Education Committee agrees with the Assembly Education Committee statement.

The Senate Committee amendment to Assembly Bill No. 442 (Official Copy Reprint) would limit the provisions of the bill to those schools in which at least 5% of the pupils are eligible for a free or reduced price lunch.

This bill would not take effect until July 1, 1975, at the earliest. According to the Department of Education, the amendment reduces the cost to the State from \$1.7 million to approximately \$1.2 million in the 1975-76 fiscal year.

FISCAL NOTE TO  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 442**

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DATED: MAY 1, 1974

Assembly Bill No. 442 requires that school lunch be made available to all children within 2 years; effective July 1 next following enactment.

The Department of Education estimates that enactment of this legislation would require a State expenditure of \$690,898.00 in fiscal 1974-75, \$1,563,049.00 in fiscal 1975-76 and \$1,740,737.76 in fiscal 1976-77, the first full year's operation at 100% participation. Expenditures by local districts are estimated to be \$274,010.00 in each of the fiscal years 1974-75 and 1975-76.

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In compliance with written request received, there is hereby submitted a fiscal estimate for the above bill, pursuant to P. L. 1962, c. 27.



FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

JUNE 26, 1974

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DICK CAMPBELL

Governor Brendan Byrne signed into law Wednesday a bill which requires most school districts to make school lunch available to students.

The bill, A 442, sponsored by Assemblyman James W. Bornheimer, D-Middlesex, requires school districts to provide lunches which meet minimum nutritional standards established by the state Department of Education.

The measure, which is effective July 1, 1975, applies to school districts in which five per cent or more of the pupils meet the eligibility requirements for a free or reduced price lunch.

In signing the bill at a public ceremony, Byrne noted that school districts will not be required to provide hot lunches, but merely that they meet minimum nutritional standards.

Byrne said the new law would make school lunches available to about 290,000 students in 549 schools which do not have a lunch program.

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