SENATE BILL 818

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ENROLLED BILL

- Budget and Taxation/Ways and Means and Appropriations -

Introduced by Senators Madaleno, Kasemeyer, Currie, DeGrange, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Lee, Manno, McFadden, Peters, Smith, and Zucker

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Education – Maryland Meals for Achievement In–Classroom Breakfast Program Bigibility and Annual Appropriation

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain schools to remain eligible to participate in the Maryland Meals for Achievement In–Classroom Breakfast Program under certain circumstances; requiring the Governor to include a certain appropriation to the Program in the annual budget bill; defining certain terms a certain term; and generally relating to the Maryland Meals for Achievement In–Classroom Breakfast Program.

- 10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 11 Article Education
- 12 Section 7–704

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



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$rac{1}{2}$	Annotated Code of Maryland (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)		
$\frac{3}{4}$	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:		
5	5 Article – Education		
6	7–704.		
7 8	(a) (1) In this section[,] THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.		
9 10	(2) "Program" means the Maryland Meals for Achievement In–Classroom Breakfast Program.		
11 12	(3) "SECONDARY SCHOOLS" INCLUDES <u>MIDDLE SCHOOLS AND</u> HIGH SCHOOLS.		
$\begin{array}{c} 13 \\ 14 \end{array}$	(b) (1) There is a school breakfast program in the State, known as the Maryland Meals for Achievement In–Classroom Breakfast Program.		
$\begin{array}{c} 15\\ 16\end{array}$	(2) The Program is a joint effort of the Department and the county boards or sponsoring agencies for eligible nonpublic schools.		
$\begin{array}{c} 17\\18\end{array}$	(c) (1) The purpose of the Program is to provide funding for a school that makes an in-classroom breakfast available to all students in the school.		
$\begin{array}{c} 19\\ 20 \end{array}$	(2) The funding is intended to complement the funding received by a school from the federal government for a school breakfast program.		
21	(d) The Department shall:		
$\begin{array}{c} 22 \\ 23 \end{array}$	(1) Develop an application form for a school that desires to participate in the Program;		
$\begin{array}{c} 24 \\ 25 \end{array}$	(2) Ensure that the schools that participate in the Program represent geographic and socioeconomic balance statewide;		
26 27 28	(3) [Ensure] SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION, ENSURE that a school that participates in the Program is a school at which at least 40% of the registered students are eligible for the federal free or reduced price meal program;		
$\begin{array}{c} 29\\ 30 \end{array}$	(4) Select schools to participate in the Program, ensuring that an annual evaluation of the Program is conducted by the Department;		

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1 (5) Annually review and set the meal reimbursement rate for schools that 2 participate in the Program to complement the federal meal reimbursement rate determined 3 under § 7–703 of this subtitle; and

4 (6) Disburse the Program funds to the county board or the sponsoring 5 agency.

6 (E) (1) IF A SCHOOL THAT PARTICIPATES IN THE PROGRAM HAS LESS 7 THAN 40% OF THE REGISTERED STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR THE FEDERAL FREE OR 8 REDUCED PRICE MEAL PLAN, THE SCHOOL SHALL REMAIN ELIGIBLE TO 9 PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM FOR 1 YEAR.

10 (2) IF, AFTER 1 YEAR, THE SCHOOL'S PERCENT OF REGISTERED 11 STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR THE FEDERAL FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEAL PLAN IS 12 LESS THAN 40%, THE SCHOOL IS NO LONGER ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 13 PROGRAM.

14 [(e)] (F) A county board or a sponsoring agency for an eligible nonpublic school 15 shall:

16 (1) Apply to the Department for funds for schools within the jurisdiction of 17 the board or for schools that are under the sponsoring agency that:

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- (i) Are eligible to participate in the Program; and

19 (ii) Apply to the board or to the sponsoring agency to participate in20 the Program; and

21 (2) Submit an annual report to the Department on the Program, including 22 the manner in which the funds have been expended.

23 [(f)] (G) A school that participates in the Program shall:

(1) Implement an in-classroom breakfast program in which all students in
the school may participate regardless of family income;

26 (2) Serve a breakfast that meets the guidelines of the Department and the 27 nutritional standards of the United States Department of Agriculture for schools that 28 participate in the federal school breakfast program;

29 (3) Except as provided in subsection [(g)] (H) of this section, serve the 30 breakfast in the classroom after the arrival of students to the school;

31 (4) Collect the data that the county board or the sponsoring agency and the
32 Department require from participants in the Program; and

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(5) Submit an annual report to the county board or the sponsoring agency.

2 [(g)] (H) Secondary schools may serve breakfast in any part of the school, 3 including from "Grab and Go" carts after the arrival of students to the school.

4 [(h)] (I) The employee organization that is the exclusive representative of the 5 certificated public school employees of a county board and the employee organization that 6 is the exclusive representative of the noncertificated employees of a county board and the 7 county board shall negotiate the terms of the participation of the employees in the Program.

8 (J) THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN 9 APPROPRIATION OF \$11,900,000 \$8,300,000 \$7,550,000 TO THE PROGRAM.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 11 1, 2018.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.