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BY: Ways and Means Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 579  
(Third Reading File Bill)

On page 7, in line 8, after “(a)” insert “(1) The Maryland General Assembly recognizes the positive impact on students’ academic, physical, and social and emotional health that results from ensuring students have access to breakfast and lunch programs while at school.

(2) While Maryland has made significant progress in providing meals to all students through a variety of programs, this has led to a patchwork approach across the State.

(b)”;

in line 12, strike “(b)” and substitute “(c)”;

in the same line, strike “(a)” and substitute “(b)”;

and after line 27, insert:

“(d) In addition, the Department shall compile research completed in other states that have established universal meal programs and prepare a summary of any findings presented in those reports as part of its report under subsection (b) of this section.”.