108TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION H.R. 3930

To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to improve the summer food service program for children.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 10, 2004

Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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 "Summer Food Service

5 Program Improvement Act of 2004".

6 SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF AREAS IN WHICH POOR ECONOMIC
7 CONDITIONS EXIST.

8 Section 13(a)(1)(C) of the Richard B. Russell Na9 tional School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1761(a)(1)(C)) is

1 amended by striking "50 percent" and inserting "40 per-2 cent".

3 SEC. 3. PAYMENTS.

4 (a) OPERATING EXPENSES.—Section 13(b)(1) of the
5 Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C.
6 1761(b)(1)) is amended by striking subparagraph (A) and
7 inserting the following:

8 "(A) IN GENERAL.—A payment to a serv-9 ice institution shall be equal to the maximum 10 amount for food service under subparagraphs 11 (B) and (C).".

(b) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—Section 13(b) of the
Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C.
1761(b)) is amended by striking paragraph (3) and inserting the following:

16 "(3) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—Payment to a
17 service institution for administrative costs shall be
18 equal to the maximum allowable levels determined
19 by the Secretary under the study required under
20 paragraph (4).".

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 18 of the
Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C.
1769) is amended by striking subsection (f).

1SEC. 4. STARTUP GRANTS FOR SUMMER FOOD SERVICE2PROGRAMS.

3 Section 13 of the Richard B. Russell National School
4 Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1761) is amended by inserting after
5 subsection (h) the following:

6 "(i) STARTUP GRANTS FOR SUMMER FOOD SERVICE
7 PROGRAMS.—

8 "(1) DEFINITION OF ELIGIBLE SERVICE INSTI-9 TUTION.—In this subsection, the term 'eligible serv-10 ice institution' means a service institution that 11 agrees to operate the summer food service program 12 established with the assistance provided under this 13 subsection.

14 "(2) GRANTS.—The Secretary shall make 15 grants, on a competitive basis, to 10 States, in a 16 total amount of not more than \$5,000,000 for each 17 fiscal year from funds made available to the Sec-18 retary, to assist eligible service institutions in initi-19 ating summer food service program sites.

"(3) USES.—A State shall use a grant made
available under this subsection to assist eligible service institutions with expenses incurred in initiating
summer food service programs during the first year
of the sites.

"(4) SUPPLEMENTARY FUNDS.—A grant under
 this subsection shall supplement any payment to
 which a State is entitled under this section.

4 "(5) PLAN.—To be eligible to receive a grant 5 under this subsection, a State shall submit to the 6 Secretary a plan to initiate summer food service pro-7 gram sites conducted in the State, including a de-8 scription of the manner in which the State shall pro-9 vide technical assistance and funding to eligible serv-10 ice institutions in the State to initiate the sites.

11 "(6) STATE PREFERENCES.—In making a grant 12 under this subsection for a fiscal year to initiate 13 summer food service programs sites, the Secretary 14 shall give preference to a State in which not more 15 than 10 lunches under summer food service pro-16 grams are served on an average day in June and 17 July for each 100 free and reduced price lunches 18 served on an average day from September through 19 May of the previous school year, as determined by 20 the Secretary.

21 "(7) REALLOCATION.—The Secretary shall act
22 in a timely manner to recover and reallocate to other
23 States any amount made available to a State under
24 this subsection that is not used by the agency or

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1 State within a reasonable period (as determined by 2 the Secretary). 3 "(8) APPLICATION.—The Secretary shall allow 4 application by States on an annual basis for grants 5 under this subsection. "(9) PREFERENCES BY STATES.—In allocating 6 7 funds within the State, each State shall give pref-8 erence for assistance under this subsection to an eli-9 gible service institution that demonstrates the great-10 est need for assistance for a summer food service 11 program, as determined by the State. "(10) MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT.—The ex-12 13 penditure of funds from State and local sources for 14 the maintenance of the summer food service pro-

15 gram shall not be diminished as a result of grants16 made available under this subsection.".

17 SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

18 Except as otherwise provided in this Act, this Act and19 the amendments made by this Act take effect on October20 1, 2004.

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