

108TH CONGRESS  
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# S. 996

To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to ensure an adequate level of commodity purchases under the school lunch program.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 6, 2003

Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. LEAHY, and Ms. STABENOW) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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## 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 “Commodity Distribu-  
5 tion Act of 2003”.

6 **SEC. 2. COMMODITY PURCHASES UNDER SCHOOL LUNCH**  
7 **PROGRAM.**

8 Section 6(e) of the Richard B. Russell National  
9 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1755(e)) is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1)—

2 (A) by striking “in the form of” and all  
3 that follows through “(A) commodity assist-  
4 ance” and inserting “in the form of commodity  
5 assistance”;

6 (B) by striking “; or” and inserting a pe-  
7 riod; and

8 (C) by striking subparagraph (B); and

9 (2) in paragraph (2)—

10 (A) by striking “the Secretary shall, to the  
11 extent necessary,” and inserting “the Sec-  
12 retary—

13 “(A) shall, to the extent necessary,”;

14 (B) by striking the period at the end and  
15 inserting “; and”; and

16 (C) by adding at the end the following:

17 “(B) shall not use commodities provided under  
18 the authority of any other Act to meet the require-  
19 ment for the school year.”.

20 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

21 This Act and the amendments made by this Act take  
22 effect on October 1, 2003.

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