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# S. 1650

To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to improve the purchase and processing of healthful commodities for use in school meal programs.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

Mrs. LINCOLN 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 “Healthy Food for  
5       Healthy Schools Act of 2009”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROCUREMENT AND PROCESSING OF FOOD SERV-**  
2 **ICE PRODUCTS AND COMMODITIES.**

3 Section 9(a)(4) of the Richard B. Russell National  
4 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(a)(4)) is amended by  
5 adding at the end the following:

6 “(C) PROCUREMENT AND PROCESSING OF  
7 FOOD SERVICE PRODUCTS AND COMMOD-  
8 ITIES.—The Secretary shall—

9 “(i) identify, develop, and disseminate  
10 to State departments of agriculture and  
11 education, school food authorities, local  
12 educational agencies, and local processing  
13 entities, model product specifications and  
14 practices for foods offered in school nutri-  
15 tion programs under this Act and the  
16 Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C.  
17 1771 et seq.) to ensure that the foods re-  
18 flect the most recent Dietary Guidelines  
19 for Americans;

20 “(ii) not later than 1 year after the  
21 date of enactment of this subparagraph—

22 “(I) carry out a study to analyze  
23 the quantity and quality of nutritional  
24 information available to school food  
25 authorities about food service prod-  
26 ucts and commodities; and

1                   “(II) submit to Congress a report  
2                   on the results of the study that con-  
3                   tains such legislative recommendations  
4                   as the Secretary considers necessary  
5                   to ensure that school food authorities  
6                   have access to the nutritional informa-  
7                   tion needed for menu planning and  
8                   compliance assessments; and  
9                   “(iii) to the maximum extent prac-  
10                  ticable, in purchasing and processing com-  
11                  modities for use in school nutrition pro-  
12                  grams under this Act and the Child Nutri-  
13                  tion Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.),  
14                  purchase the widest variety of healthful  
15                  foods that reflect the most recent Dietary  
16                  Guidelines for Americans.”.

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