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An Act To Require at Least a 30-minute Lunch Period for Students

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MORALES of South Portland, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill, PERRY of Calais, SALISBURY of
Westbrook, Senators: MOORE of Washington, VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4014** is enacted to read:

3 **§4014. Lunch period**

4 A school administrative unit shall provide for all students under the jurisdiction of the
5 school administrative unit a lunch period of at least 30 minutes unless the governing body
6 of the school administrative unit determines by vote after notice and public hearing that a
7 30-minute lunch period would be impracticable.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill requires that school administrative units provide for students a lunch period
10 of at least 30 minutes unless the governing body of the school administrative unit
11 determines by vote after notice and public hearing that a 30-minute lunch period would be
12 impracticable.