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Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 13 in the 4th line (page 1, line 28 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "subsection 2" the following: ', and "local food hub" means any business or organization that locates and obtains local food and can handle the logistics of supplying and delivering local foods to schools'

Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 14 in the 2nd line (page 2, line 7 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "post a" the following: 'model'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

**‘Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

**School Finance and Operations Z078**

Initiative: Provides base allocations for any federal grant funds that might be received to increase contribution to local school administrative units that purchase produce or minimally processed foods directly from a farmer, farmers' cooperative or local food hub in the State and for the implementation of the local foods training program.

<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>
All Other	\$500	\$500
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	\$500	\$500

**School Finance and Operations Z078**

Initiative: Provides funds for annual competitive skill-oriented school food service recognition events that emphasize creative and effective use of local foods.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>
All Other	\$7,850	\$7,850
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$7,850	\$7,850

<b>EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF</b>		
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>
GENERAL FUND	\$7,850	\$7,850
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$500	\$500

**DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS**

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**\$8,350**

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**SUMMARY**

This amendment adds a definition of the term "local food hub," which is any business or organization that locates and obtains local food and can handle the logistics of supplying and delivering local foods to schools. This amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

**(See attached)**