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An Act To Improve Antihunger Programs in Maine Schools

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRS §6601-A, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 238, §1, is amended to read:

§ 6601-A. National School Lunch Program; Internet-based school meal applications

The department by July 1st annually shall make information available to public schools regarding Internet-based applications for eligible students for free or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch Program under 7 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 210. A public school may make an Internet-based application available for school meal applications. If a public school implements an Internet-based application process under this section, the public school shall make available a paper application for school meals to any student, parent or legal guardian who requests one.

SUMMARY

This bill requires the Department of Education on an annual basis to provide information to public schools regarding Internet-based applications for free or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch Program.