

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1619

To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to require schools to provide fluid milk substitutes upon request of a student or the parent or guardian of such student, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 17, 2023

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana (for himself and Ms. MACE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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. FLUID MILK SUBSTITUTES.**

4 Section 9(a)(2)(B) of the Richard B. Russell Na-
5 tional School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(a)(2)(B)) is
6 amended—

7 (1) in clause (i)—

1 (A) by striking “may” and inserting
2 “shall”;

3 (B) by striking “and meets” and inserting
4 “as determined by the most recent Dietary
5 Guidelines for Americans published under sec-
6 tion 301 of the National Nutrition Monitoring
7 and Related Research Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C.
8 5341) or that meets”; and

9 (C) by striking “for students who cannot
10 consume fluid milk because of a medical or
11 other special dietary need other than a dis-
12 ability described in subparagraph (A)(iii)”;

13 (2) in clause (ii)—

14 (A) by striking “may” and inserting
15 “shall”;

16 (B) by striking “the school notifies the
17 State agency” and all that follows through “if
18 the substitution is”;

19 (C) by striking “by written statement of a
20 medical authority or”;

21 (D) by inserting “student or a” after “by
22 a”; and

23 (E) by striking “that identifies the medical
24 or other special dietary need that restricts the
25 student’s diet”; and

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1 (3) by striking clause (iii).

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