

House Bill 1139

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for free meals to public school students
3 enrolled in after-school education programs or summer school education programs; to
4 provide for policies, rules, and regulations; to provide for related matters; to provide a short
5 title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Leave No Georgia Child Hungry Act."

9 **SECTION 2.**

10 Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and
11 secondary education, is amended in Part 5 of Article 6, relating to program weights and
12 funding requirements, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

13 "20-2-187.1.

14 (a)(1) The State Board of Education shall annually determine the amount of state funds
15 needed to provide a state-wide program to offer quality and healthy meals, without

16 charge, to all students enrolled in a public school in this state who are enrolled in
17 after-school education programs or summer school education programs. State funds
18 appropriated for this purpose shall be used to supplement federal funds, if any.

19 (2) The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules and regulations which:

20 (A) Establish minimum nutritional requirements for after-school meal programs and
21 summer school meal programs which meet or exceed the minimum federal regulations;

22 (B) Provide that each participating local education agency submit a plan of
23 compliance; and

24 (C) Assist local education agencies in applying for and obtaining start-up grant money
25 for such programs.

26 (b) Each local education agency is encouraged to establish and support a program to offer
27 quality and healthy meals, without charge, to all students enrolled in a public school in this
28 state who are enrolled in after-school education programs or summer school education
29 programs. Each local education agency operating such a program shall be reimbursed by
30 the state according to policies, rules, and regulations established by the State Board of
31 Education and subject to appropriations for such purposes by the General Assembly."

32 **SECTION 3.**

33 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.