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Healthy America Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 14, 2003
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 21, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 24, 2003)

Healthy America Act - Amends the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to require schools participating in the school breakfast program to make available fruits and juices.

Amends the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (the Act) to direct the Secretary to expand the fruit and vegetable school pilot program.

Amends the Act to direct the Secretary, in conjunction with the National 5 a Day for Better Health program, to carry out a Healthy Foods for Healthy Kids program to provide grants to school districts for innovative projects to increase the availability and consumption of fruits and vegetables.

Amends the Act to require States to ensure that meals in the summer food service program include fruits, vegetables, and juices.

Directs the Secretary to revise in specified ways the regulations relating to the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.

Amends the Farm and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to increase the minimum amount to be spent on the purchase of fresh fruits and vegetables for distribution to schools and service institutions.

Directs the Secretary to develop a fruit and vegetable research agenda that coordinates research between agencies of the Department of Agriculture.

Directs the Secretary to appoint a national 5 A Day for Better Health program coordinator and seven regional coordinators to promote the consumption of fruit and vegetables.

Expresses the sense of Congress that the Secretary should establish partnerships with State and local organizations to improve access to and efficient distribution of fresh fruits and vegetables to schools and nutrition programs.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 21, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.
- **Jul 15, 2003:** Executive Comment Requested from USDA.
- **Jul 14, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.
- **Jun 24, 2003:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 24, 2003:** Referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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