

S 1737

Expand School Meals Act of 2009

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MN • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		Oct 1, 2009
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Oct 1, 2009
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Nov 6, 2009
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		Mar 5, 2010
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 9, 2010

Committee Activity

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Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 1, 2009

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 3705	Related bill	Nov 16, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

Expand School Meals Act of 2009 - Amends the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to expand eligibility for free meals under the school lunch and breakfast programs to children whose family income falls at or below 185% of the federal poverty guidelines.

Phases-in this eligibility expansion by increasing the income eligibility level in annual increments until it reaches 185% of the federal poverty guidelines for the school year beginning on July 1, 2013. (This will make all children who are eligible for reduced price meals eligible for free meals on such date.)

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 1, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 1, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S10062-10063)
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