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Hunger-Free Summer for Kids Act of 2019

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** AR • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (23 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Sen. Hyde-Smith, Cindy [R-MS]	R · MS		Jun 20, 2019
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jun 20, 2019
Sen. McConnell, Mitch [R-KY]	R · KY		Jun 20, 2019
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Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Jul 23, 2019
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jul 24, 2019
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Jul 31, 2019
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 16, 2019
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Sep 16, 2019
Sen. Fischer, Deb [R-NE]	R · NE		Sep 24, 2019
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Sep 26, 2019
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Oct 15, 2019
Sen. Jones, Doug [D-AL]	D · AL		Oct 21, 2019
Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO]	R · MO		Oct 30, 2019
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		Oct 30, 2019
Sen. Perdue, David [R-GA]	R · GA		Dec 16, 2019
Sen. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Jan 7, 2020
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Feb 12, 2020
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Feb 25, 2020
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Mar 10, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 20, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 20, 2019)

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This bill revises the Summer Food Service Program to direct the Department of Agriculture to establish electronic benefit transfer (EBT) cards and off-site consumption as two alternative delivery options for certain children through schools and service institutions in the program.

These options shall be available to a child only if (1) the child lives in a rural area or outside of an area in which poor economic conditions exist, and (2) the child is eligible for a free or reduced price lunch and breakfast. In the case of off-site consumption, the option is also available if the summer program is available to the child at a congregate feeding site but (1) the site is closed due to extreme weather conditions, (2) violence or other public safety concerns in the area prevent the child from traveling safely to the site, (3) the site is open not more than four days a week, or (4) the site provides only one meal per day.

A state may not operate the EBT card option and the off-site consumption option simultaneously in the same area.

Each state desiring to participate in the summer food service program shall include in its annual management and administration plan the state's plans for using one or both of these alternative delivery options.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 20, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
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