

HR 6187

MEALS Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 11, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6201	Related bill	Mar 19, 2020: Engrossment Correction

Summary (as of Mar 11, 2020)

Maintaining Essential Access to Lunch for Students Act or the MEALS Act

This bill modifies food and nutrition programs of the Department of Agriculture to allow certain waivers to requirements for the school meal programs, including waivers that increase federal costs during a school closure related to COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019).

Such waivers must be requested by a state or service provider and be for purposes of providing meals and snacks during such a closure.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 11, 2020:** Introduced in House
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