

S 1236

FISCAL Act

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Committee Activity

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Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 1, 2025

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 HR 2539	Identical bill	Apr 1, 2025: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce.

Freedom in School Cafeterias and Lunches Act or the FISCAL Act

This bill revises requirements for milk provided by the National School Lunch Program of the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to require that schools offer plant-based milk.

Under current law, schools must provide a substitute for fluid milk for students whose disability restricts their diet (on receipt of a written statement from a licensed physician). Schools may also substitute a nondairy beverage for fluid milk for students who have an identified medical or other special dietary need (on receipt of a written statement from a medical authority or a student's parent or legal guardian).

The bill eliminates the exceptions and documentation requirements. Instead, schools participating in the school lunch program must offer all students a plant-based milk option that is consistent with (1) the most recent U.S. Dietary Guidelines, or (2) USDA-established nutritional standards if the milk is not included under those guidelines.

