

E AND R AMENDMENTS TO LB 1090

Introduced by Larson, 40, Chairman Enrollment and Review

1 1. Strike the original sections and all amendments
2 thereto and insert the following new sections:

3 Section 1. For purposes of sections 1 to 3 of this act:

4 (1) Department means the State Department of Education;

5 and

6 (2) Service institution means a public or private

7 nonprofit school food authority, local, municipal, or county

8 government, public or private nonprofit higher education

9 institution participating in the National Youth Sports Program, or

10 residential public or private nonprofit summer camp that develops

11 special summer or school vacation programs providing food service

12 similar to food service made available to children during the

13 school year under the school lunch program or the school breakfast

14 program under the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, 42 U.S.C. 1771 et

15 seq.

16 Sec. 2. (1) Because children are susceptible to hunger

17 in the summertime, resulting in negative health effects, the

18 Legislature intends, as a state nutrition and health policy,

19 that the State of Nebraska's participation in the Summer Food

20 Service Program of the United States Department of Agriculture be

21 strengthened where it is needed to provide adequate nutrition for

22 children.

23 (2) To encourage participation and utilization of the

1 Summer Food Service Program, the department shall:

2 (a) Provide information to schools concerning the
3 benefits and availability of the Summer Food Service Program; and

4 (b) Award grants of up to fifteen thousand dollars per
5 site on a competitive basis to service institutions approved by
6 the department. Grants awarded under this section may be used for
7 nonrecurring expenses incurred in initiating or expanding services
8 under the Summer Food Service Program, including, but not limited
9 to, the acquisition of equipment, salaries of staff, training of
10 staff in new capacities, outreach efforts to publicize new or
11 expanded services under the Summer Food Service Program, minor
12 alterations to accommodate new equipment, computer point-of-service
13 systems for food service, and the purchase of vehicles for
14 transporting food to schools. Funds shall not be used for food,
15 computers, except point-of-service systems, or capital outlay. The
16 total amount of grants awarded under this section shall be limited
17 to one hundred forty thousand dollars per fiscal year.

18 (3) In awarding grants under this section, the department
19 shall give preference in the following order of priority to:

20 (a) Service institutions located within the boundaries of
21 school districts in which fifty percent or more of the students
22 apply and qualify for free and reduced-price lunches or located
23 within the boundaries of a census tract in which fifty percent or
24 more of the children fall under the poverty threshold as defined by
25 the United States Department of Agriculture;

26 (b) Service institutions in which health and education
27 activities are emphasized; and

1 (c) Service institutions that currently participate in
2 the Summer Food Service Program.

3 (4) Service institutions may apply for grants under this
4 section by:

5 (a) Submitting to the department a plan to start or
6 expand services under the Summer Food Service Program;

7 (b) Agreeing to operate the Summer Food Service Program
8 for a period of not less than two years; and

9 (c) Assuring that the expenditure of funds from state and
10 local resources for the maintenance of the school breakfast program
11 or the Summer Food Service Program shall not be diminished as a
12 result of grants received under this section.

13 Sec. 3. The department shall collect data regarding the
14 number of sites, the number of service institutions, and the
15 number of children served as a result of the grants awarded under
16 section 2 of this act. The department shall submit a report to the
17 Education Committee of the Legislature on this data not later than
18 December 1 each year.

19 2. On page 1, line 3, after the semicolon insert "and".