

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

February 25, 2021

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Introduced by Sen. MAY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to prohibiting schools or school districts from filing a lawsuit against a student's parent or guardian for unpaid meal fees

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Paragraph iv of subdivision e of section 908 of the educa-  
2 tion law, as added by section 1 of part B of chapter 56 of the laws of  
3 2018, is amended to read as follows:  
4 iv. take any action directed at a pupil to collect unpaid school meal  
5 fees. A school or school district may attempt to collect unpaid school  
6 meal fees from a student's parent or guardian, but shall not use a debt  
7 collector, as defined in section eight hundred three of the federal  
8 consumer credit protection act, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 1692a or file a lawsuit  
9 against such student's parent or guardian; or  
10 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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