STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

April 17, 2023

Introduced by Sen. RAMOS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education -- recommitted to the Committee on Education in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring certain public schools to offer Halal food options and Kosher food options during lunch

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

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding two new sections 915-a and 915-b to read as follows:

§ 915-a. Halal food options. Any school or school district where the board of education or trustees determine that such school or school district has a Muslim population greater than or equal to ten percent of the student body or where Halal food options are otherwise requested by relevant individuals or entities shall offer Halal food options during lunch.

§ 915-b. Kosher food options. Any school or school district where the board of education or trustees determine that such school or school district has a Jewish population greater than or equal to two percent of the student body or where Kosher food options are otherwise requested by relevant individuals or entities shall offer Kosher food options during lunch.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rules or regulations necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made on or before such date.

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

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