STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

March 5, 2025

Introduced by Sens. PARKER, JACKSON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on New York City Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to establishing the New York city school lunch leftover take-home meal pilot program

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 a new section 2589 to read as follows:

§ 2589. New York city lunch leftover take-home meal pilot program. 1. The chancellor of the New York city department of education shall establish a pilot program for the purpose of providing frozen take-home meals to certain children located in the city of New York. The chancellor of the New York city department of education shall select one New York city public school from each borough to participate in the pilot program. Students from schools selected to participate in the pilot program shall have the option to sign up for such program and the principals of the participating schools shall determine how many children to accept into the pilot program. Participating schools shall administer the pilot program which shall include, but shall not be limited to, making frozen take-home meals from unused and unopened leftover food from participating schools. Such meals shall be distributed to children who have been accepted into such pilot program. Such pilot program shall be implemented for a period of one full school year.

2. The chancellor of the New York city department of education shall promulgate rules to implement the requirements of this section.

3. The principal of each participating school shall submit a report to the chancellor of the New York city department of education detailing all data collected by such principal relating to the pilot program for review and full implementation. Such reports shall be submitted no more than thirty days after the completion of the school year.

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

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