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SENATE BILL 15-054

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING PROVIDING A FIFTH DAY OF FREE OR REDUCED-COST
102 LUNCHES TO STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE FEDERAL
103 SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM AND WHO ARE ENROLLED IN A
104 FOUR-DAY WEEK SCHOOL.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

Currently, students who receive a free or reduced-cost school lunch through the federal school lunch program and who also attend a school that operates on a 4-day week do not receive a fifth day of free or

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reduced-cost lunch. The bill requires school food authorities that operate on a 4-day school week schedule to provide those students with a box lunch for the day of the week that the school is closed.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-82.9-103, **add**
3 (1.3) as follows:

4 **22-82.9-103. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the
5 context otherwise requires:

6 (1.3) "FOUR-DAY SCHOOL" MEANS A SCHOOL FOOD AUTHORITY
7 THAT OPERATES ON A FOUR-DAY WEEK FOR SCHOOL INSTRUCTION.

8 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-82.9-104, **amend**
9 (1); and **add** (3.5) as follows:

10 **22-82.9-104. Child nutrition school lunch protection program**
11 **- creation - administration - objectives.** (1) There is hereby created the
12 child nutrition school lunch protection program to ensure that each
13 student in a Colorado public school has access FIVE DAYS PER WEEK to a
14 healthy lunch ~~at school~~ to help the student participate fully in the learning
15 process.

16 (3.5) A FOUR-DAY SCHOOL SHALL PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL BOX
17 LUNCH ON THURSDAY, IF THE SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON FRIDAY, AND ON
18 FRIDAY, IF THE SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON MONDAY, TO EACH STUDENT
19 PARTICIPATING IN THE SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM WHO IS ENROLLED IN THE
20 FOUR-DAY SCHOOL TO ENSURE THE STUDENT HAS ACCESS TO A HEALTHY
21 LUNCH FIVE DAYS A WEEK.

22 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,

- 1 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
- 2 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.