

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2896

To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to allow certain institutions to use geographic preference for procurement of certain foods, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 28, 2021

Ms. PINGREE (for herself, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Ms. ADAMS, and Mr. HARDER of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Kids Eat Local Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. GEOGRAPHIC PREFERENCE AND IDENTIFICATION**
2 **FOR SCHOOL FOOD.**

3 Paragraph (3) of section 9(j) of the Richard B. Rus-
4 sell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(j)) is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 “(3) allow institutions receiving funds under
7 this Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42
8 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.), including the Department of
9 Defense Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program—

10 “(A) to use a geographic preference for the
11 procurement of unprocessed agricultural prod-
12 ucts, both locally grown and locally raised; or

13 “(B) to use locally grown, locally raised, or
14 locally caught as a product specification.”.

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