H. R. 1539

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 10, 2023

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. FLUID MILK SUBSTITUTES.


(1) in clause (i)—
(A) by striking “may” and inserting “shall”;

(B) by striking “and meets” and inserting “as determined by the most recent Dietary Guidelines for Americans published under section 301 of the National Nutrition Monitoring and Related Research Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5341) or that meets”;

(C) by striking “for students who cannot consume fluid milk because of a medical or other special dietary need other than a disability described in subparagraph (A)(iii)”;

(2) in clause (ii)—

(A) by striking “may” and inserting “shall”;

(B) by striking “the school notifies the State agency” and all that follows through “if the substitution is”;

(C) by striking “by written statement of a medical authority or”;

(D) by inserting “student or a” after “by a”; and

(E) by striking “that identifies the medical or other special dietary need that restricts the student’s diet”; and
(3) by striking clause (iii).