

Friis, John

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Mr. John Friis
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Dear Mr. Friis,

I know that these are tough economic times. However, cutting the state budget by taking money away from child nutrition is short sighted. Families are being forced to purchase less expensive, obesity-prone foods so will depend even more upon nutritious foods in school.

Feeding children healthy school meals is important to their long-term health and their ability to learn. With sky-high childhood obesity rates and high food costs, schools cannot afford to feed our children on less. (This could cost MORE in the future.)

Please oppose the proposed cut to the per meal reimbursement for schools that certify as healthy schools (schools that meet nutrition standards for foods sold out of vending and other venues outside of school meals) from 10 cents per meal to 5 cents.

Sincerely,
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