AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR STUDENT MEALS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (Effective from passage) (a) The Commissioners of Education, Public Health and Social Services shall jointly study the need for students to receive free meals in schools throughout the state and the cost to provide such meals. Said commissioners shall consider the ability of students' families and municipalities to contribute to such cost and estimate the state funding needed to provide the student meals.

(b) Not later than October 1, 2023, the Commissioners of Education, Public Health and Social Services shall jointly report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies concerning the results of the study described in subsection (a) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:
Statement of Purpose:
To require a study of funding needed to provide school meals for students.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]