

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE**  
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At the end of subtitle C of title IV, add the following:

1 **SEC. 4309. PROGRAM FOR PROCUREMENT OF DOMESTI-**  
2 **CALLY GROWN UNPROCESSED FRUITS AND**  
3 **VEGETABLES.**

4 Section 6(f) of the Richard B. Russell National  
5 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1755(f)) is amended—

6 (1) in the subsection heading, by striking  
7 “PILOT PROJECT FOR PROCUREMENT OF” and in-  
8 serting “PROGRAM FOR PROCUREMENT OF DOMES-  
9 TICALLY GROWN”;

10 (2) in paragraph (1)—

11 (A) by striking “conduct a pilot project”  
12 and inserting “carry out a program (referred to  
13 in this subsection as the ‘program’)”;

14 (B) by inserting “domestically grown” be-  
15 fore “unprocessed”; and

16 (C) by striking “8” and inserting “14”;

17 (3) by striking “pilot project” each place it ap-  
18 pears and inserting “program”;

1           (4) in paragraph (2), in the matter preceding  
2           subparagraph (A), by inserting “domestically  
3           grown” before “unprocessed”;

4           (5) in paragraph (3)(B), in the matter pre-  
5           ceding clause (i), by striking “1 project is located in  
6           a State” and inserting “2 projects are located in 1  
7           or more States”;

8           (6) in paragraph (4)—

9           (A) by redesignating subparagraphs (B)  
10          and (C) as subparagraphs (E) and (F), respec-  
11          tively; and

12          (B) by inserting after subparagraph (A)  
13          the following:

14               “(B) the demonstrated commitment of the  
15               State to support small, local, and socially dis-  
16               advantaged farmers;

17               “(C) the demonstrated commitment of the  
18               State to support Tribal agricultural producers  
19               and communities utilizing traditional foods;

20               “(D) whether the State will serve a high  
21               proportion of children from socially disadvan-  
22               taged backgrounds in carrying out the pro-  
23               gram;”;

24          (7) in paragraph (5)—

1 (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking  
2 “RECORDKEEPING AND REPORTING” and in-  
3 serting “RECORDKEEPING, REPORTING, AND  
4 EVALUATION”;

5 (B) in subparagraph (B)—

6 (i) in clause (i), by striking “and” at  
7 the end;

8 (ii) in clause (ii), by striking the pe-  
9 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

10 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
11 lowing:

12 “(iii) the challenges and opportunities  
13 presented by the program in the State.”;  
14 and

15 (C) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(C) PROGRAM EVALUATION.—

17 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2  
18 years after the date of enactment of this  
19 subparagraph, the Secretary shall evaluate  
20 the impact of the program, including with  
21 respect to—

22 “(I) the quantity and cost of  
23 each type of unprocessed fruit and  
24 vegetable procured by each State  
25 under the program;

1 “(II) the benefit of the procured  
2 domestically grown unprocessed fruits  
3 and vegetables to school food service  
4 in each State, including the benefit to  
5 meeting school meal requirements;

6 “(III) the economic impact of the  
7 program on agricultural producers in  
8 the State;

9 “(IV) the economic, geographic,  
10 social, and administrative barriers to  
11 participation, including the reimburse-  
12 ment process, experienced by agricul-  
13 tural producers and school food au-  
14 thorities; and

15 “(V) eligibility requirements for  
16 agricultural producers, including any  
17 barriers to becoming approved ven-  
18 dors.

19 “(ii) REPORT.—Not later than 4  
20 years after the date of enactment of this  
21 subparagraph, the Secretary shall submit  
22 to the Committee on Agriculture of the  
23 House of Representatives and the Com-  
24 mittee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and For-  
25 estry of the Senate a report that describes

1 the results of the evaluation conducted  
2 under clause (i) and an analysis of that  
3 evaluation.”; and

4 (8) by adding at the end the following:

5 “(6) FUNDING.—

6 “(A) MANDATORY FUNDING.—There is ap-  
7 propriated to carry out this subsection  
8 \$25,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2026  
9 through 2030.

10 “(B) RESERVATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE  
11 COSTS; TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

12 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds ap-  
13 propriated under subparagraph (A) for  
14 each fiscal year, \$10,000,000 shall be re-  
15 served for States selected under the pro-  
16 gram under paragraph (1) to carry out the  
17 activities described in clause (ii)(I).

18 “(ii) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS; TECH-  
19 NICAL ASSISTANCE.—

20 “(I) IN GENERAL.—The funds  
21 reserved under clause (i) shall be  
22 used—

23 “(aa) for the administrative  
24 costs of carrying out the pro-  
25 gram, including costs of satis-

1                   fying recordkeeping and report-  
2                   ing requirements;

3                   “(bb) to coordinate among  
4                   or share with agencies and de-  
5                   partments involved in carrying  
6                   out the program in the State;  
7                   and

8                   “(cc) to provide technical as-  
9                   sistance and outreach to—

10                   “(AA) vendors to be-  
11                   come certified to participate  
12                   in the program; and

13                   “(BB) school food au-  
14                   thorities, regional food hubs,  
15                   State and local agencies, In-  
16                   dian Tribal organizations,  
17                   agricultural producers, so-  
18                   cially disadvantaged farm-  
19                   ers, and other entities to  
20                   participate in the program.

21                   “(II) MINIMUM ALLOTMENT.—Of  
22                   the funds reserved under clause (i),  
23                   each State selected under paragraph  
24                   (3)(A) shall receive not less than  
25                   \$500,000 for each fiscal year during

1                   which the State participates in the  
2                   program.

3                   “(C) RESERVATION FOR TECHNICAL AS-  
4                   SISTANCE TO NONPARTICIPATING STATES.—Of  
5                   the funds appropriated under subparagraph (A)  
6                   for each fiscal year, \$1,000,000 shall be re-  
7                   served—

8                   “(i) only if there are fewer than 14  
9                   States participating in the program that  
10                  fiscal year; and

11                  “(ii) to provide technical assistance  
12                  with eligibility requirements for States  
13                  seeking to participate in the program.”.

