

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

August 21, 2025
Date

Committee on Health & Human Services.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

SB25B-003 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 4, line 26, strike "tax" and substitute "~~tax~~
2 TAXABLE".

3 Page 5, line 25, after "(3)(a)(IV);" insert "**amend** (3)(a)(II) and
4 (3)(a)(III);".

5 Page 6, after line 26, insert:

6 "(II) BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026, awarding local food purchasing
7 grants pursuant to section 22-82.9-205;

8 (III) BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026, distributing money to a
9 participating school food authority to increase wages or provide stipends
10 for individuals whom the participating school food authority employs to
11 directly prepare and serve food for school meals pursuant to section
12 22-82.9-206 (1);".

13 Page 6, line 27, strike "Awarding" and substitute "BEGINNING JULY 1,
14 2026, awarding".

15 Page 7, line 2, strike "IMPLEMENTING" and substitute "BEGINNING JULY
16 1, 2026, IMPLEMENTING".

17 Page 7, line 21, strike "doing so" and substitute "~~doing so~~ AWARDING
18 MONEY PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (3)(g)".

19 Page 8, after line 7 insert:

20 "(j) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LAW TO THE CONTRARY, MONEY IN

- 1 THE FUND SHALL ONLY BE EXPENDED FROM THE FUND IN ACCORDANCE
2 WITH SUBSECTIONS (3)(c) THROUGH (3)(i) OF THIS SECTION ON OR AFTER
3 JULY 1, 2026."
- 4 Page 8, line 11, after "(3)(g)," insert "(3)(a)(II), (3)(a)(III), and (3)(a)(IV)".
- 5 Page 8, line 17, after "(3)(g)," insert "(3)(a)(II), (3)(a)(III), and
6 (3)(a)(IV)".
- 7 Strike "and (3)(a)(VIII)" and substitute "(3)(a)(VIII), and (3)(j)" on: **Page**
8 **5**, line 25; and **Page 8**, line 12 and lines 17 and 18.
- 9 Strike "PROVIDING" and substitute "BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026, PROVIDING"
10 on: **Page 7**, lines 4 and 6.

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