

Thank you for endorsing the **Access to Healthy Foods for Young Children Act of 2019** ([S. 2501](#))! Now that the bill has been introduced, we are getting the word out about the bill and how other national, state, and local organizations can endorse the bill. We have drafted the below summary blurbs/call to actions that your organization can use to send to your networks.

Resources included below:

- FRAC's [factsheet on the bill](#)
- FRAC's [endorsement page](#) for national, state, and local organizations

Please contact Geri Henchy (ghenchy@frac.org) and Lauren Badger (lbadger@frac.org) for any questions. Thank you!

Model Newsletter and Emails: Access to Healthy Foods for Young Children Act

Blurbs:

Option 1: Very short summary (doesn't list all provisions)

The Access to Healthy Food for Young Children Act of 2019, introduced by Senator Bob Casey (D-PA) on September 18, 2019, would strengthen the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) by allowing an additional CACFP meal and snack in full-day child care, increasing CACFP reimbursements, improving area eligibility for family child care, allowing annual eligibility for for-profit child care centers, and reducing record-keeping requirements.

Option 2: Short summary (all the provisions but without details)

The Access to Healthy Food for Young Children Act of 2019, introduced by Senator Bob Casey (D-PA) on September 18, 2019, would strengthen the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) by allowing an additional CACFP meal and snack in full-day child care, increasing CACFP reimbursements, improving area eligibility for family child care, allowing annual eligibility for for-profit child care centers, allocating \$5 million to support the new healthy meal pattern and beverage best practices, allowing high-poverty centers to collect income applications on a four-year cycle, directing USDA to reduce paperwork requirements, improving the cost of living adjustment for child care home CACFP reimbursements, and establishing a pilot to eliminate income and enrollment applications.

Option 3: Bulleted summary (all provisions – details included)

The Access to Healthy Food for Young Children Act of 2019, introduced by Senator Bob Casey (D-PA) on September 18, 2019, would strengthen the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) by

- allowing an additional CACFP meal or snack in full-day child care;
- increasing CACFP reimbursements by 10 cents for each meal and snack;
- allowing annual eligibility for proprietary (for-profit) child care centers;
- improving area eligibility for family child care by reducing the threshold to 40 percent;
- allocating \$5 million to support the new healthy meal pattern and beverage best practices;

- allowing high-poverty child centers to collect income applications every four years rather than every year;
- improving the cost of living adjustment for child care home reimbursement rates to reflect more accurately the real costs to providers;
- creating a CACFP Community Eligibility Provision pilot to eliminate income applications for centers; and
- directing USDA to reduce unnecessary paperwork resulting from federal and state regulations and record-keeping requirements.

Option 4: Summary (all provisions – details included)

The Access to Healthy Food for Young Children Act of 2019, introduced by Senator Bob Casey (D-PA) on September 18, 2019, would strengthen the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) by allowing an additional CACFP meal or snack in full-day child care, increasing CACFP reimbursements by 10 cents for each meal and snack, allowing annual eligibility for proprietary (for-profit) child care centers, improving area eligibility for family child care providers by lowering the threshold to 40 percent, allocating \$5 million to support the new healthy meal pattern and beverage best practices, creating a CACFP Community Eligibility Provision pilot, improving the cost of living adjustment for child care home reimbursement rates to better reflect the real costs to providers, allowing high-poverty child centers to collect income application every four years, and directing USDA to reduce unnecessary paperwork resulting from federal and state requirements.

Call to Action:

Show your support. [Endorse the Access to Healthy Foods for Young Children Act of 2019 today!](#)

Or

Your organization can [endorse the Access to Healthy Foods for Young Children Act of 2019](#) to show support for these excellent improvements. Please consider endorsing today!

Resources:

For more details, check out FRAC's [factsheet on the bill](#).