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Brief Description: Providing for healthy foods for school children.

HB 2760 - DIGEST

Provides that, in elementary and middle/junior high schools:
(1) Any food sold in competition with the federally funded school meal programs, must meet the following standards: (a) no more than thirty percent of its total calories are from fat, unless the food is nuts or seeds; (b) no more than ten percent of its total calories are from saturated fat; (c) no more than thirty-five percent of its total weight is composed of sugar, unless the food is unsweetened fruit and/or vegetables;

(2) During regular school hours, and during federally funded school meal programs, water, nonfat or low-fat plain or flavored milk, nonfat or low-fat plain or flavored soy milk or rice milk, and one hundred percent fruit juices that have no added sweeteners are the only beverages that may be sold to pupils. Beverages that contain more than ten milligrams of caffeine per serving are prohibited. Serving sizes may not exceed twelve ounces.

Does not apply to holiday events, special celebrations, or class parties for which food and beverages are brought into the school.

Encourages teachers not to use food as a reward or incentive for student behavior or academic performance.

Provides that, beginning September 1, 2004, the office of superintendent of public instruction shall review and test compliance with this section as required by federal law. If a district is found not in compliance, it must submit a corrective plan to the office of superintendent of public instruction and implement the plan within six months from the finding of noncompliance.