

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 SB4147

Introduced 2/7/2022, by Sen. Ram Villivalam

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/10-20.83 new 105 ILCS 5/34-18.78 new 410 ILCS 637/25 new

Amends the School Code. Requires each school board to provide for a program by which halal food options are offered in public school cafeterias by request. Provides further requirements concerning the providing of halal food in public schools. Defines "halal". Amends the Halal Food Act. Provides that any State-owned or State-operated facility that provides food services or cafeteria services for which food products are provided or offered for sale shall, upon request provided with reasonable notice, also offer halal food options at such facility. Provides that any halal food product offered shall be certified as halal by a State-approved organization or purchased from a State-approved halal-certified vendor. Provides that any person, organization, or vender falsely representing a food product it provides as halal or falsely representing itself as a halal-certified vendor shall be subject to penalty under the Act. Provides for the adoption of rules.

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STATE MANDATES ACT MAY REQUIRE REIMBURSEMENT 1 AN ACT concerning public health.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Sections 10-20.83 and 34-18.78 as follows:
- 6 (105 ILCS 5/10-20.83 new)
- 7 Sec. 10-20.83. Halal food services. Each school board shall provide for a program by which halal food options are 8 offered in public school cafeterias by request. Any halal food 9 product offered under this Section shall be certified as halal 10 by a State-approved organization or purchased from a 11 12 State-approved halal-certified vendor. Any person, organization, or vender falsely representing a food product it 13 14 provides as halal or falsely representing itself as a halal-certified vendor shall be subject to penalty under the 15 16 Halal Food Act. For purposes of this Section, "halal" has the 17 same meaning as provided under Section 5 of the Halal Food Act.
- 18 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.78 new)
- Sec. 34-18.78. Halal food services. The Chicago Board of

 Education shall provide for a program by which halal food

 options are offered in Chicago Public School cafeterias by

 request. Any halal food product offered under this Section

- shall be certified as halal by a State-approved organization
 or purchased from a State-approved halal-certified vendor. Any
 person, organization, or vender falsely representing a food
 product it provides as halal or falsely representing itself as
 a halal-certified vendor shall be subject to penalty under the
 Halal Food Act. For purposes of this Section, "halal" has the
 same meaning as provided under Section 5 of the Halal Food Act.
- 8 Section 10. The Halal Food Act is amended by adding 9 Section 25 as follows:
- 10 (410 ILCS 637/25 new)
- 11 Sec. 25. State facility halal food services.
- 12 <u>(a) Any State-owned or State-operated facility that</u>
 13 <u>provides food services or cafeteria services for which food</u>
 14 <u>products are provided or offered for sale shall, upon request</u>
 15 <u>provided with reasonable notice, also offer halal food options</u>
 16 at such facility.
- 17 (b) Any halal food product offered under this Section
 18 shall be certified as halal by a State-approved organization
 19 or purchased from a State-approved halal-certified vendor. Any
 20 person, organization, or vender falsely representing a food
 21 product it provides as halal or falsely representing itself as
 22 a halal-certified vendor shall be subject to penalty under
 23 Sections 10 or 15 of this Act.
- 24 (c) The Department of Central Management Services and all

- other relevant State agencies shall adopt all rules necessary 1
- 2 for the implementation of this Section.