

# HB3853



## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB3853

Introduced 2/17/2023, by Rep. Cyril Nichols

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 595/10

Amends the Local Food, Farms, and Jobs Act. Requires that at least 20% (currently, 10%) of food and food products purchased by State-funded entities be local farm or food products. Provides that of the 20% of local farm or food products required to be purchased by State agencies and State-funded entities under the Act, at least 10% of the local farm or food products shall be purchased from minority-owned food producers. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

4 Section 5. The Local Food, Farms, and Jobs Act is amended  
5 by changing Section 10 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 595/10)

7 Sec. 10. Procurement goals for local farm or food  
8 products.

9 (a) In order to create, strengthen, and expand local farm  
10 and food economies throughout Illinois, it shall be the goal  
11 of this State that 20% of all food and food products purchased  
12 by State agencies and State-owned facilities, including,  
13 without limitation, facilities for persons with mental health  
14 and developmental disabilities, correctional facilities, and  
15 public universities, shall, by 2020 onward, be local farm or  
16 food products.

17 (a-5) Of the 20% of local farm or food products required to  
18 be purchased by State agencies under subsection (a), at least  
19 10% of the local farm or food products shall be purchased from  
20 minority-owned food producers.

21 (b) The State shall require that at least 20% ~~support and~~  
22 ~~encourage that 10%~~ of food and food products purchased by  
23 entities funded in part or in whole by State dollars, which

1 spend funds ~~more than \$25,000 per year~~ on food or food products  
2 for its students, residents, or clients, including, without  
3 limitation, public schools, child care facilities,  
4 after-school programs, and hospitals, shall, by 2023 onward  
5 ~~2020~~, be local farm or food products.

6 (b-5) Of the 20% of local farm or food products required to  
7 be purchased by State-funded entities under subsection (b), at  
8 least 10% of the local farm or food products shall be purchased  
9 from minority-owned food producers.

10 (c) To meet the goals set forth in this Section, when a  
11 State contract for purchase of food or food products is to be  
12 awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, an otherwise  
13 qualified bidder who will fulfill the contract through the use  
14 of local farm or food products may be given preference over  
15 other bidders, provided that the cost included in the bid of  
16 local farm or food products is not more than 10% greater than  
17 the cost included in a bid that is not for local farm or food  
18 products.

19 (d) All State agencies and State-owned facilities that  
20 purchase food and food products shall develop a system for (i)  
21 identifying the percentage of local farm or food products  
22 purchased for fiscal year 2021 as the baseline; and (ii)  
23 tracking and reporting local farm or food products purchases  
24 on an annual basis.

25 (e) On January 1, 2024 and each January 1 thereafter,  
26 those State agencies and State-owned facilities that purchase

1 food or food products shall publish in their respective  
2 procurement bulletins, in the form and format prescribed by  
3 the chief procurement officer, notice of their purchases of  
4 local farm or food products in the immediately preceding  
5 fiscal year.

6 (Source: P.A. 102-1119, eff. 1-23-23.)

7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
8 becoming law.