

## Eat Smart Move More South Carolina

**BILL:** **H3179, Farm to School Bill**

**SPONSOR:** Rep. Cooper

**ACTION:** Bill was reported by the Senate Education Committee and is on the contested calendar in the Senate.

### OVERVIEW OF THE BILL:

CREATES THE "SOUTH CAROLINA FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM ACT", TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DUTIES OF ITS DIRECTOR, AND TO ESTABLISH A WEBSITE DEDICATED TO PROGRAM INITIATIVES.

**BILL:** **H3297, Nutrition in Schools Bill**

**SPONSOR:** Rep. Sellers

**ACTION:** Bill was reported by the Senate Education Committee and is on the contested calendar in the Senate with a minority report from Senator Larry Grooms. A minority report makes it unlikely the bill will pass out of the Senate because it puts the bill on the bottom of the contested calendar.

### OVERVIEW OF THE BILL:

RELATING TO SNACKS SOLD FOR STUDENT CONSUMPTION IN SCHOOLS, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR FAT, CALORIE, AND SUGAR CONTENT STANDARDS THAT SNACK FOOD AND BEVERAGES MUST MEET IN ORDER TO BE SOLD IN SCHOOLS; AND BY ADDING SECTION 59-10-345 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS MAY OFFER ONLY FULL MEALS FOR STUDENT CONSUMPTION, AND TO PROVIDE FOR FAT, CALORIE, AND SUGAR CONTENT STANDARDS THAT FOODS AND BEVERAGES MUST MEET IN ORDER TO BE SOLD IN SCHOOLS.

**BILL:** **State Appropriations Bill, DOE provisos**

**COMMITTEE:** House Ways & Means Proviso Subcommittee

**MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE:** Reps. Herb Kirsh, Chairman, Brian White, Harry Limehouse, Roland Smith, Tracy Edge, Kenneth Bingham, Annette Young, and James Lucas

**ACTION:**

The House Ways and Means Committee will begin deliberating the budget on Monday, Feb. 22 at 1:00p.m. The committee will continue their budget work session through the week until completed.

The PE proviso dealing with the assessment program was deleted due to lack of funds with the rationale that the DOE is at the point of having to choose whether to continue assessments or lay off personnel. The committee also passed the flexibility proviso that allows schools to increase PE class sizes (along with other classes). The committee passed the proviso that eliminates all testing except that which is required by No Child Left Behind federal legislation.

## **ESMMSC 2010 ADVOCACY DAY**

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

ESMMSC 2010 Advocacy Day is scheduled for Wednesday, March 3, 2010, starting at 9:45 AM in the Blatt Building, Room 321, on Statehouse grounds. Please RSVP to Amy@EatSmartMoveMore.org if you are interested in attending.