

By: Shapleigh

S.B. No. 862

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a prohibition of trans fatty acids in meals provided to
3 students by school districts.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 38, Education Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 38.0111 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 38.0111. TRANS FATTY ACIDS. (a) In providing meals to
8 students at a campus, a school district may not serve a food that
9 contains trans fatty acids or that was prepared using another food
10 that contains trans fatty acids.

11 (b) This section does not prohibit a district from serving a
12 food that contains or was prepared using another food that contains
13 only trans fatty acids that occur naturally in the food.

14 (c) In complying with this section and selecting
15 alternative foods and preparation methods to replace prohibited
16 foods and preparation methods, a school district shall use the best
17 possible alternatives that promote student health and are
18 consistent with nutritional best practices.

19 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2007-2008
20 school year.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

S.B. No. 862

1 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.