

Amend SB 1566 on third reading by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

Sec. 33.908. GRACE PERIOD POLICY FOR EXHAUSTED OR INSUFFICIENT MEAL CARD OR ACCOUNT BALANCE. The board of trustees of a [A] school district that allows students to use a prepaid meal card or account to purchase meals served at schools in the district [~~the school~~] shall adopt a grace period policy regarding the use of the cards or accounts. The policy:

(1) must allow a student whose meal card or account balance is exhausted or insufficient to continue, for a period determined by the board [~~district~~], to purchase meals by:

(A) accumulating a negative balance on the student's card or account; or

(B) otherwise receiving an extension of credit from the district;

(2) must require the district to notify the parent of or person standing in parental relation to the student that the student's meal card or account balance is exhausted;

(3) may not permit the district to charge a fee or interest in connection with meals purchased under Subdivision (1); and

(4) may permit the district to set a schedule for repayment on the account balance as part of the notice to the parent or person standing in parental relation to the student.