

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 3

BY REPRESENTATIVES ECHOLS, AMEDEE, AND EDMONSTON

**SCHOOLS/FOOD PROGRAMS:** Requests the state Department of Education to study the feasibility of and potential costs associated with prohibiting certain foods and beverages in public schools

## 1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the state Department of Education to study the feasibility of and  
3 potential costs associated with prohibiting certain foods and beverages in public  
4 schools.

5 WHEREAS, access to balanced, nutritional meals and snacks throughout the day  
6 contributes to student success in and out of the classroom; school meal programs can play  
7 an important role in supporting overall student health and academic achievement; and

8       WHEREAS, foods that are ultra-processed and nutrient-depleted with synthetic  
9       additives undernourish children and can contribute to childhood obesity; and

10 WHEREAS, it is worthwhile to make every effort to offer students only nutritious  
11 foods made primarily of whole, minimally processed plant and animal products.

12           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
13   Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the state Department of Education to  
14   study the feasibility of and potential costs associated with prohibiting certain foods and  
15   beverages in public schools.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, for the purposes of this study, "public schools"  
17 includes all public schools, including charter schools, that include grades kindergarten  
18 through twelve, and the foods and beverages that would be prohibited are those that contain  
19 any of the following ingredients:

- 1 (1) Potassium bromate.
- 2 (2) Propylparaben.
- 3 (3) Titanium dioxide.
- 4 (4) Brominated vegetable oil.
- 5 (5) Yellow dye 5.
- 6 (6) Yellow dye 6.
- 7 (7) Blue dye 1.
- 8 (8) Blue dye 2.
- 9 (9) Green dye 3.
- 10 (10) Red dye 3.
- 11 (11) Red dye 40.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department shall also make  
13 recommendations relative to ensuring the healthiest food options be served in public schools.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department shall report its findings to the  
15 House Committee on Education not later than sixty days prior to the convening of the 2026  
16 Regular Session of the Legislature.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
18 state superintendent of education.

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