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**SECTION \_\_\_\_: PILOT PROGRAM PROVIDING LOW-FAT CHEESES FOR SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAMS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—During the 3-year period beginning on the date that is not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall purchase low-fat cheeses for use in—

(1) the school lunch program established under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act(42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.); and

(2) the school breakfast program established by section 4 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1773).

(b) PURCHASE ADDITIONAL TO COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM.—The low-fat cheeses purchased under subsection (a) shall be in addition to commodities delivered under section 6 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1755).

(c) EVALUATION AND REPORT.—

(1) EVALUATION.—The Secretary shall conduct an evaluation of—

(A) whether children participating in the school lunch and breakfast programs described in subsection (a) increased their consumption of low-fat cheeses during the period described in subsection (a);

(B) which types of low-fat cheeses are most appropriate for use in such school lunch and breakfast programs, and how such cheeses may best be integrated into such programs; and

(C) such other factors related to increasing interest in and awareness of low-fat cheeses among schoolchildren as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(2) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the conclusion of the 3-year period described in subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate and the Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Representatives a report describing the results of the evaluation required by paragraph (1).

(d) LOW-FAT CHEESE DEFINED.—In this section, the term “low-fat cheese” means cheese of any type whose solids contain a percentage of milkfat, to be determined by the Secretary, that is less than the percentage specified for such type of cheese in subpart B of part 133 of title 21, Code of Federal Regulations.

(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—The Secretary shall use not more than \$1 million of the amount appropriated under section 3 to carry out this subsection.