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A bill for an act
relating to education; prohibiting participants in the national school lunch program
from discriminating against eligible children; amending Minnesota Statutes
2012, sections 123B.37, subdivision 2; 124D.111, by adding a subdivision.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 123B.37, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Boards shall not withhold grades or diplomas for nonpayment of
student fees.** No pupil's rights or privileges, including the receipt of grades or diplomas
may be denied or abridged for nonpayment of fees, including school lunch debts; but this
provision does not prohibit a district from maintaining any action provided by law for the
collection of fees authorized by sections 123B.36 and 123B.38.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

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Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.111, is amended by adding a
subdivision to read:

Subd. 4. **Discrimination prohibited.** No school district, charter school, nonpublic
school, or other participant in the national school lunch program receiving state aid under
subdivision 1 may:

(1) discriminate against or otherwise stigmatize any child eligible for a free or
reduced-price school lunch; or

(2) deny lunch to a child eligible for a reduced-price school lunch who lacks
sufficient funds to pay for lunch or has unpaid school lunch debts.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2013.