A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the purchase of Florida agricultural products for the school lunch program.

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

SECTION 1: Buy Florida Agriculture: A school food authority qualifies for the initiative in a state fiscal year if in the previous state fiscal year at least 30 percent of the school food authority's total food costs for lunches served as part of the school lunch program were attributable to food  items:

  (1)  grown or harvested on land or from water in this state by means of agriculture, horticulture, aquaculture, or dairying; or

 (2)  processed inside or outside this state if the processed food items consist of at least 51 percent of items described by Subdivision (1).

  (3)  The value of United States Department of Agriculture commodity foods provided at no cost to a school food authority may not be considered for purposes of Section 1.

  (4)  Using money appropriated for this purpose, the department shall distribute to a school food authority that qualifies for the initiative in a state fiscal year an amount equal to 25 cents per lunch served as part of the school lunch program during the state fiscal year.

SECTION 2.  This Act applies beginning with the 2020-2021 school year.