

National Alliance for Nutrition and Activity

2007 Farm Bill Priorities

School Nutrition Standards:

- Child Nutrition Promotion and School Lunch Protection Act: update the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) nutrition standards for foods and beverages sold out of vending machines, school stores, and other venues outside of school meals

Nutrition Research:

- Increase research at USDA by \$200 million per year, with a strong emphasis on food and human nutrition research

Food Stamp Nutrition Education:

- Enhance the effectiveness of Food Stamp Nutrition Education (FSNE) programs by allowing state Food Stamp Programs to use education, marketing and population-based public health approaches to increase food security and promote healthy eating, physical activity and obesity prevention for low-income Americans

WIC Program:

- Require USDA to review and update, as necessary, the WIC Food Packages every 10 years

Promote Children's Fruit and Vegetable Intake:

- USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program: \$300 million per year in mandatory spending for national expansion of the fruit and vegetable snack program for students
- Section 32 Purchases: increase the minimum threshold for Section 32 purchases of fresh fruits and vegetables from \$200 million to \$400 million per year
- Department of Defense (DoD) Fresh Program: increase purchases of fresh fruits and vegetables through the program from \$50 million per year to \$75 million/yr for the FY09 – FY10, \$100 million/yr for FY11, and \$125 million/yr for FY12. This program allows schools to buy a wide variety of high quality produce for the school lunch program.
- Food Stamp Fruit and Vegetable EBT Pilot Program: \$10 million per year to provide grants to states to develop and test approaches to provide incentives for purchases of fruits and vegetables through the Food Stamp Program

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