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SYNOPSIS:

This bill would prohibit any public K-12 school that participates in a federally funded or assisted meal program from serving, selling, or allowing a third party to sell ultra-processed food on school campus.

This bill would require the State Department of Education to post certification forms and a list of compliant schools on the department's website.

This bill would also define "ultra-processed food" and provide prohibited ingredients.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to public K-12 schools; to prohibit the serving, selling, or allowing of a third party to sell ultra-processed food on certain school campuses; to require the State Department of Education to post certification forms and a list of compliant schools on the department's website; and to define "ultra-processed food" and provide prohibited ingredients.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) This act shall be known and may be cited



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29 as the Alabama Healthy Schools Act.

30 (b) Beginning in the 2026-2027 school year, any public
31 K-12 school that participates in a federally funded or
32 assisted meal program shall not serve, sell, or allow a third
33 party to sell ultra-processed food on the school campus during
34 the normal school day. This subsection does not prevent a
35 student's parent or guardian from providing ultra-processed
36 food to the student during the normal school day.

37 (c) The State Department of Education shall post on the
38 department's website both of the following:

39 (1) A standardized form that a public school may use to
40 certify that the public school is complying with the
41 requirements prescribed by this section.

42 (2) A list of each public school that has certified to
43 the department that the public school is complying with the
44 requirements prescribed by this section.

45 (d) For the purposes of this section, "ultra-processed
46 food" means a food or beverage that contains one or more of
47 the following ingredients:

- 48 (1) Potassium Bromate.
- 49 (2) Propylparaben.
- 50 (3) Titanium Dioxide.
- 51 (4) Brominated Vegetable Oil.
- 52 (5) Yellow Dye 5.
- 53 (6) Yellow Dye 6.
- 54 (7) Blue Dye 1.
- 55 (8) Blue Dye 2.
- 56 (9) Green Dye 3.



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57 (10) Red Dye 3.

58 (11) Red Dye 40.

59 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October

60 1, 2025.