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**Statement on Assembly Bill 226/Senate Bill 228 (Relating to: prohibiting schools from providing food containing certain ingredients in free or reduced-price meals)**

SNA-WI supports the removal of ingredients listed in this bill from school meals. However, it is important to note that the vast majority of K-12 school meals in Wisconsin do not include these ingredients. We also appreciate the bill authors making changes to make the bill more workable for school nutrition professionals. However, we are concerned that the most recent amendment offered to this bill (Assembly Amendment 2 to Assembly Bill 226/Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 228) will not apply the requirements in this bill equitably, as the amendment applies the requirements in the bill to private schools that participate in the parental choice program but exempts private schools that do not participate in this program.