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Amendment #: 036

Submitted by Rep. Kagen – Title IV – Geographic Preference

**Summary of the Amendment Offered
by Representative Kagen & Representative Fortenberry
Regarding Geographic Preference**

This amendment would clarify existing language permitting geographic preference to be used for food procurement bids in the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act, the Child Nutrition Act, and the Department of Defense Fresh Fruit and Vegetable program.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2419**OFFERED BY MR. KAGEN OF WISCONSIN
& MR. FORTENBERRY OF NEBRASKA**

At the end of subtitle C of title IV, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . PURCHASES OF LOCALLY PRODUCED FOODS.**

2 Section 9(j) of the Richard B. Russell National
3 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(j)) is amended to read
4 as follows:

5 “(j) PURCHASES OF LOCALLY PRODUCED FOODS.—

6 The Secretary shall—

7 “(1) encourage institutions receiving funds
8 under this Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966
9 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.) to purchase locally pro-
10 duced foods, to the maximum extent practicable and
11 appropriate;

12 “(2) advise institutions participating in a pro-
13 gram described in paragraph (1) of the policy de-
14 scribed in that paragraph and post information con-
15 cerning the policy on the website maintained by the
16 Secretary; and

17 “(3) allow institutions receiving funds under
18 this Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42
19 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.), including the Department of

1 Defense Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, to use
2 a geographic preference for the procurement of lo-
3 cally produced foods.”.