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To: House Committee on Appropriations

cc: Speaker Johnson

From: House Committee on Transportation

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The House Committee on Transportation makes the following proposal to Section F of the House Committee on Human Services Coronavirus Relief Fund proposal. The Committee recommends that \$2,000,000 be appropriated to the Agency of Education to reimburse summer meals sites sponsors for the costs associated with delivering meals to children during the months of June, July and August 2020. Summer meals sponsors provide meals throughout the summer to children ages 0-18, and many families depend on these meals for the nutritional needs of their children.

Although federal reimbursement money for the Summer Food Service Program covers most or all of the cost of preparing the meals, it does not cover the additional cost of delivering the meals, which is directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Traditionally, children are coming to the meals sites, either simply to get the meal or to participate in a summer program and receive the meal as part of the program. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, many meals will need to be delivered directly to children at their homes or at pick up sites such as bus stops. This \$2,000,000 is only a portion of the estimated cost for the meals delivery, but we hope it will be combined with other funding and help to get meals to children who need them.

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