

PROTECTING

# SCHOOL LUNCH

Mandating students must take a fruit or vegetable with every meal

**increases waste  
by 100%**<sup>3</sup>

An estimated **\$684 million** is thrown away each year.

Under the new standards

**1.4 MILLION  
FEWER CHILDREN**

choose school lunch  
each day.<sup>1</sup>

Under the new rules,  
school districts  
must absorb

**\$1.2 billion**

in new food and labor  
costs in Fiscal Year  
2015 alone.<sup>2</sup>

**H.R. 1504,**  
the Reducing Federal  
Mandates on School  
Lunch Act,

would give schools the  
flexibility needed to provide  
nutritious lunches that our  
kids will actually eat.