§ 16-21-29 Definitions. – As used in this chapter:

1) "Healthier beverages" shall be defined as:

(a) Water, including carbonated water, flavored or sweetened with one hundred percent (100%) fruit juice and containing no added sweetener.

(b) Two percent (2%) fat milk, one percent (1%) fat milk, nonfat milk, and dairy alternatives, such as fortified soy beverages; plain or flavored, with a sugar content of not more than four (4) grams per ounce.

(c) One hundred percent (100%) fruit juice or fruit based drinks that are composed of no less than fifty percent (50%) fruit juice and have no added sweetener.

(d) Vegetable-based drinks that are composed of no less than fifty percent (50%) vegetable juice and have no added sweetener.

2) "Healthier snacks" shall be defined as:

(a) Individually sold portions of nuts, nut butters, seeds, eggs, and cheese packaged for individual sale, fruit, vegetables that have not been deep fried, and legumes.

(b) Individually sold portions of low fat yogurt with not more than four (4) grams of total carbohydrates (including both naturally occurring and added sugars) per ounce and reduced fat or low fat cheese packaged for individual sale.

(c) Individually sold enriched or fortified grain or grain product; or whole grain food items that meet all of the following standards based on manufacturers' nutritional data or nutrient facts labels:

   (i) Not more than thirty percent (30%) of its total calories shall be from fat.

   (ii) Not more than ten percent (10%) of its total calories shall be from saturated fat.
(iii) Not more than seven (7) grams of total sugar (includes both naturally occurring and added sugars) per ounce.

(3) "Added sweetener" shall mean any additive, including natural or artificial additives that enhances the sweetness of the beverage, including, added sugar, but does not include, the naturally occurring sugar or sugars that are contained within milk or fruit juice.

(4) "Snack" means a food that is generally regarded as supplementing a meal, including, but not limited to: chips, crackers, onion rings, nachos, French fries, donuts, cookies, pastries, cinnamon rolls, and candy.

History of Section.
(P.L. 2006, ch. 231, § 1; P.L. 2006, ch. 234, § 1.)