

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3426**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act prohibiting certain retaliatory actions by food stores..

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 94 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 184E the  
2 following section:-

3 Section 184F. No food store, food department or any establishment subject to sections  
4 184B to 184E shall take retaliatory action, including but not limited to, banning from the  
5 premises or restricting access in any way, against any person who complains about, reports or  
6 makes public any violation of sections 184B to 185E. Any retaliatory actions taken previously  
7 shall be reversed immediately upon notification of this section. Violation of this statute shall be  
8 subject to a \$250 fine per violation. A violation is defined as one day of restricting access in any  
9 manner. Upon the second violation, all the store's price marking exemptions shall be rescinded  
10 for a period of 12 months.