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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

#### PRESENTED BY:

#### Paul McMurtry

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to farmers markets.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk	1/21/2011
James M. Cantwell	4th Plymouth	2/4/2011
Kate Hogan	3rd Middlesex	2/4/2011
Stephen Stat Smith	28th Middlesex	2/4/2011

# HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 2840

By Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2840) of Paul McMurtry and others relative to the liability of farmers' markets. The Judiciary.

### [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 4000 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to farmers markets.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 10 of chapter 40 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006

2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

3 Any person who displays, exhibits or sells their homemade or home grown products or

4 produce within the commonwealth at public farmers' markets and farm stands shall be allowed

5 to provide customers with taste samples of their products without incurring any liability.

6 Conformity to sanitary health codes and requirements such as sinks and heating apparatus shall

7 not be applicable under this paragraph.