

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1503**

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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:
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>	
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>	
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>	
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>	
<i>Thomas P. Conroy</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Paul A. Schmid, III</i>	<i>8th Bristol</i>	
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>	

<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	
<i>Matthew A. Beaton</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	
<i>Aaron Vega</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>	

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By Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1503) of Paul McMurtry and others relative to the liability of farmers' markets. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2840 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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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.