

SENATE No. 1059

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Richard T. Moore

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 food labeling.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Richard T. Moore

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Worcester and Norfolk

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By Mr. Richard T. Moore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1059) of Richard T. Moore for legislation relative to food labeling of fish. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to food labeling.

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

1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department of public
2 health shall implement a food labeling program for commercially caught, landed and sold
3 saltwater fish including but not limited to: tuna, mackerel, swordfish, grouper, striped bass and
4 bluefish. The label shall provide the consumer with information concerning the safety and risk
5 factors of consumption of the fish based on toxin levels in the fish and their hazards to human
6 health, in particular the health of young children, women of child-bearing age and pregnant
7 women.