

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1208**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Marc R. Pacheco*

*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:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Marc R. Pacheco*

*First Plymouth and Bristol*

*Jason M. Lewis*

*Fifth Middlesex*

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By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1208) of Marc R. Pacheco and Jason M. Lewis for legislation relative to food labeling. Public Health.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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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 h department of public  
2    healtshall implement a food labeling program for commercially caught, landed and sold saltwater  
3    fish including but not limited to: tuna, mackerel, swordfish, grouper, striped bass and bluefish.  
4    The label shall provide the consumer with information concerning the safety and risk factors of  
5    consumption of the fish based on toxin levels in the fish and their hazards to human health, in  
6    particular the health of young children, women of child-bearing age and pregnant women.