HOUSE . . . . No. 1221

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John W. Scibak

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 prohibiting the use of all latex gloves and products by persons who handle food.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
John W. Scibak	*2nd Hampshire*	*1/13/2017*

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By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1221) of John W. Scibak relative to prohibiting the use of all latex gloves and products by persons who handle food. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. *2055* OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

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An Act prohibiting the use of all latex gloves and products by persons who handle food.

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. Chapter 94 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section

2   305E the following section:

3   Sec 305F. Any person engaged in wholly or in part in the production, manufacturing,

4   processing, storing and/or offering or exposing any article of food for consumption, and whose

5   duties and activities involve handling and contact with food at any stage during the process, shall

6   not use natural latex rubber gloves or utensils containing natural rubber latex.

7   If the Department of Health finds, after notice and due opportunity for hearing, that any

8   establishment, group or vendor is not in compliance with the provisions of this section, it may

9   assess civil penalties in an amount not exceeding five hundred dollars ($500), and may be subject

10   to any and all penalties provided for in General Laws which regulate said industry, including

11   revocation of licenses.