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HOUSE . . . . . No. 3156

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 the donations of leftover food by restaurants and cafeterias.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Paul McMurtry	*11th Norfolk*
Kevin Aguiar	*7th Bristol*
Stephen Stat Smith	*28th Middlesex*

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By Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3156) of Paul McMurtry, Kevin Aguiar and Stephen Stat Smith relative to the donations of leftover food by restaurants and cafeterias. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. *3999* OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to the donations of leftover food by restaurants and cafeterias.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, food service establishments, including restaurants and cafeterias may donate their edible leftover cooked food and nonperishable food to local food pantries and assistance shelters and shall be allowed to take a tax credit or deduction for same. The food service establishment shall not be held liable in the event of any harm resulting to a person from the ingestion of any item of donated food described in this section.