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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**John W. Scibak**

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*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

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

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PETITION OF:

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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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:*

Chapter 94 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 307B the following section:–

            Sec 307C-- Any person engaged in wholly or in part in the production, manufacturing, processing, storing and/or offering or exposing any article of food for consumption, and whose duties  and  activities  involve handling  and  contact with  food  at  any stage during  the  process,  shall  not use  natural latex rubber gloves or utensils containing natural rubber latex.

             If  the  Department of  Health finds,  after  notice  and  due opportunity  for  hearing,  that any  establishment, group or  vendor is  not  in compliance with the  provisions  of  this  section,  it  may assess civil  penalties in  an amount not exceeding five hundred dollars ($500), and may be subject to any and all penalties provided for in General Laws which regulate said industry, including revocation of licenses.