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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Mr. Hedlund**

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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 relative to food produced from cloned animals.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Mr. Hedlund | Plymouth and Norfolk |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S00255 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to food produced from cloned animals.

 *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. Section 184B of chapter 94 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 official edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “Automatic checkout system” the following word:-

“Cloned food”, shall mean the meat or milk from any animal clone or its progeny as defined by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

SECTION 2.  Chapter 94 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 official edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 184E the following:-

Section 184F.  Cloned Food Packaging

Section 1.  Any cloned food, as defined by this act, packaged for sale shall be clearly and conspicuously labeled, in a manner and form approved by the Department of Public Health, indicating that it is the byproduct of an animal clone.  Said label shall contain the words “Cloned Food”.

Section 2.  (a)  Wherever raw or cooked cloned food is offered for human consumption either at a retail food facility, over a counter, by a sign, tag, or menu board, it shall be clearly and conspicuously labeled and shall be posted in a prominent location so that it is likely to be read by the consumer prior to ordering and shall contain the words “Cloned Food”.

(b)  Wherever cloned food is ordered directly from a server or at a dining table, the words “cloned food” shall be clearly and conspicuously printed on all menu’s next to all menu items in which cloned food is in an ingredient so that it is likely to be read by consumers prior to ordering cloned food.

(c) The department of public health shall enforce the provisions of this section and shall from time to time adopt rules and regulations for the enforcement thereof.