

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Moore, Richard (SEN)**

*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**

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Moore, Richard (SEN)

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Worcester and Norfolk

# 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:*

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 94 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after section 307B the following section:—

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

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