



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5577

LCO No. 1989



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
REP. MUSHINSKY, 85th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING SURPLUS FOOD DONATION AND
ESTABLISHING FOOD COMPOSTING REQUIREMENTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to establish food composting
- 2 requirements and encourage surplus food donations to households in
- 3 need through the identification of food donation locations by the
- 4 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, the mandating of
- 5 donations of excess food by businesses and institutions of a certain size,
- 6 the designation of food scraps as a mandatory recyclable item and the
- 7 development of food scrap composting infrastructure and enforcement.
- 8 resources.

Statement of Purpose:

To help households in need of food and reduce food waste in the municipal solid waste stream.