HOUSE No. 03156

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 passage 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 Smith and others relative to the donations of leftover food by restaurants and cafeterias Joint Committee on 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 \Box .

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