

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1513**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Marc R. Pacheco***

*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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to food labeling.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Marc R. Pacheco</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Bristol</i>	
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>	<i>4/1/2021</i>

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By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1513) of Marc R. Pacheco and Michael D. Brady for legislation relative to food labeling of fish. Public Health.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1327 OF 2019-2020.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to food labeling.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           Notwithstanding any special or general law to the contrary, the Department of Public  
2 Health shall implement a food labeling program for commercially caught, landed and sold  
3 saltwater fish including but not limited to tuna, mackerel, swordfish, grouper, striped bass and  
4 bluefish. The label shall provide the consumer with information concerning the safety and the  
5 risk factors of consumption of the fish based on toxin levels in the fish and their hazards to  
6 human health, in particular the health of young children, women of child-bearing age and  
7 pregnant women.