

1 AN ACT concerning public health.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Food Handling Regulation Enforcement Act is
5 amended by adding Section 3.1 as follows:

6 (410 ILCS 625/3.1 new)

7 Sec. 3.1. Potluck events.

8 (a) As used in this Section, "potluck event" means an event
9 at which:

10 (1) people are gathered to share food;

11 (2) there is no compensation provided to people for
12 bringing food to the event;

13 (3) there is no charge for any food or beverage
14 provided at the event; and

15 (4) the event is not conducted for commercial purposes.

16 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, neither the
17 Department of Public Health nor the health department of a unit
18 of local government may regulate the serving of food that is
19 brought to a potluck event sponsored by a group of individuals
20 or a religious, charitable, or nonprofit organization by
21 individuals attending the potluck event for consumption at the
22 potluck event. Individuals who are not members of a group or
23 organization sponsoring a potluck event may attend the potluck
24 event and consume the food at the event. No fee may be charged
25 for admission to a potluck event that is exempt from regulation
26 under this Section, nor may food be sold at a potluck event
27 that is exempt from regulation under this Section. A business
28 establishment dealing in the sale of food items may not sponsor
29 a potluck event. Potluck event food may not be brought into the
30 kitchen of a business establishment dealing in the sale of food
31 items.