

RE:	PA Chamber memo: Support H.B. 615 – Food Donation Liability
DATE:	June 23, 2025
FROM:	Neal Lesher, Director, Government Affairs
TO:	The Honorable Members of the PA Senate Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee

On behalf of the PA Chamber of Business and Industry, I urge your support for House Bill 615, which is scheduled for a vote by the committee this week.

H.B. 615 would amend the Donated Food Limited Liability Act to expand the current immunity from civil and criminal liability to apply to the donation of food that has exceeded the manufacturer's recommended label date but is still fit for human consumption.

This legislation is a commonsense update of the Donated Food Limited Liability Act to ensure that businesses that donate surplus food are able to donate food that may be past the manufacturer's "best by" date but is still safe to consume. Doing so will reduce food waste and support non-profits that rely on these donations to serve people in need.

For any questions or further discussion, please contact Neal Lesher, Director of Government Affairs, at <u>nlesher@pachamber.org</u> or **717-507-9240**.

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