ACTION ALERT: Raise Caution on HB 615 - Donated Food Limited Liability Bill

STEP 1: Find Your Pennsylvania State Senator:

To identify and contact your state representative, please visit the Pennsylvania General Assembly's official website: Find Your Senator

STEP 2: Copy and Paste the Info Below Into an Email

Subject: Please Proceed Cautiously on HB 615 – Protect Food Safety

Dear [Senator's Name],

As a constituent and advocate for public health, I am writing to share concerns about HB 615—the Donated Food Limited Liability Bill—now in the Senate Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee.

While I strongly support efforts to reduce food waste and expand food access, this bill may unintentionally compromise food safety by allowing expired, perishable foods to be donated without adequate oversight.

Why I'm Concerned:

- HB 615 could allow donors to distribute **perishable foods past their labeled expiration date**, increasing the risk of foodborne illness.
- Current labeling exists to protect consumers, especially those with compromised immune systems who often rely on donated food.
- Public health and food safety standards must remain **evidence-based** to prevent unintended harm.
- Without clear inspection and handling guidelines, the bill could erode **public trust** in food donation programs.

I urge you to proceed with caution, request amendments that uphold science-based food safety standards, and ensure robust guidelines are in place to protect the health of food-insecure Pennsylvanians.

Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

[Your City, PA]

[Optional: Professional Title or Affiliation]

STEP 3: Hit Send, Then / Spread the Word:

Share this action alert with colleagues, friends, and family to amplify our collective voice.