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AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 2 Statutes, requiring restaurants to display dietary
- 3 information.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Title 3 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes
- 7 is amended by adding a chapter to read:
- 8 CHAPTER 66
- 9 RESTAURANT DISPLAY OF DIETARY INFORMATION
- 10 Sec.
- 11 6601. Short title of chapter.
- 12 6602. Definitions.
- 13 6603. Requirements.
- 14 § 6601. Short title of chapter.
- This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the
- 16 Restaurant Display of Dietary Information Act.
- 17 § 6602. Definitions.

- 1 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
- 2 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 3 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 4 "Restaurant." A food establishment licensed under 7 Pa. Code
- 5 Ch. 78 (relating to food establishments) that is identified with
- 6 a restaurant chain having 20 or more locations under the same
- 7 name nationally regardless of the type of ownership of the
- 8 restaurant locations.
- 9 § 6603. Requirements.
- 10 A restaurant shall provide dietary information for all food
- 11 and drink items sold in its establishment as follows:
- 12 (1) Caloric information must be provided on menu boards in
- 13 restaurants in which menu boards are displayed. The size,
- 14 arrangement and typeface of the caloric information must be
- 15 similar to and as easy to read as other menu board information,
- 16 and the nutrition information must be displayed adjacent to the
- 17 listing of the food item.
- 18 (2) The nutrition information must be provided on menus in
- 19 restaurants in which menus are used. The size, arrangement and
- 20 typeface of the nutrition information must be similar in size
- 21 and typeface to other information about each menu item. The
- 22 nutrition information must be similar to the categories of
- 23 nutrition information provided on packaged foods sold in grocery
- 24 stores and must be displayed adjacent to the listing of the food
- 25 item.
- 26 (3) The nutrition information must be provided on wrappers
- 27 and boxes used to deliver particular items of food and drink to
- 28 customers. The size, arrangement and typeface of the nutrition
- 29 information must be similar to that of nutrition information
- 30 provided on packaged foods sold in grocery stores.

- 1 (4) Restaurants without menus must display menu boards on
- 2 the walls. At least one menu board must be readable from 12 feet
- 3 away from each entrance. The menu board must meet the
- 4 requirements of paragraph (1) and contain the information
- 5 specified in paragraphs (2) and (3).
- 6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.