



CA AB 1219 - CALIFORNIA GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD DONATION ACT

The California Good Samaritan Food Donation Act provides liability protections for entities that make good faith donations of surplus food.

AB 1219 clarifies and expands liability protections for donated surplus food by:

- Creating a more comprehensive list of entities covered by law
- Explicitly states that donation of past-date food is subject to liability protection
- Expands liability protection to donations made by food facilities, which are subject to food safety regulations and inspections, directly to individuals for consumption (direct donation).

FEDERAL GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD DONATION ACT

Donors are also protected under the Federal Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act: “a person or gleaner shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability arising from the nature, age, packaging, or condition or apparently wholesome food or an apparently fit grocery product that the person or gleaner donated in good faith to a nonprofit organization for ultimate distribution to needy individuals.”

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