

AN ACT concerning health.

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

Section 5. The Food Handling Regulation Enforcement Act is amended by adding Section 3.2 as follows:

(410 ILCS 625/3.2 new)

Sec. 3.2. Food banks.

(a) For purposes of this Section, "food bank" means a public or charitable institution that maintains an established operation involving the provision of food or edible commodities to food pantries, soup kitchens, hunger relief centers, or other feeding programs that, as an integral part of their normal activities, provide meals or food to needy persons.

(b) All food banks that provide food to feeding programs in Illinois shall provide a list of its member food pantries, soup kitchens, hunger relief centers, and other feeding programs to the State-certified local public health department or departments having jurisdiction in its service area. Food banks must provide this list to local public health departments annually and the listing shall include the following information about each food pantry, soup kitchen, hunger relief center, and other feeding program:

(1) agency name;

(2) type of feeding program;

(3) address;

(4) phone number; and

(5) fax number.

The intent of having food banks provide this information annually to the local public health department is solely for the purpose of ensuring that food recall alerts and other pertinent information will be communicated to food pantries, soup kitchens, hunger relief centers, and other feeding programs in a timely fashion.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 1, 2009.