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# S. 2787

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 26, 2018

Mr. HATCH introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Food Donation Act  
5 of 2018”.

6 **SEC. 2. BILL EMERSON GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD DONATION**

7 **ACT.**

8 Section 22 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42  
9 U.S.C. 1791) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (b)—

2 (A) in paragraph (1)—

3 (i) by striking “quality and labeling”  
4 and inserting “safety and safety-related la-  
5 beling”; and

6 (ii) by inserting “being past date  
7 label,” after “surplus,”;

8 (B) in paragraph (2)—

9 (i) by striking “quality and labeling”  
10 and inserting “safety and safety-related la-  
11 beling”; and

12 (ii) by inserting “being past date  
13 label,” after “surplus,”;

14 (C) in paragraph (3), by striking “not re-  
15 quired to give anything of monetary value” and  
16 inserting “not required to give anything of  
17 monetary value or is charged a good Samaritan  
18 reduced price”;

19 (D) by redesignating paragraphs (6)  
20 through (10) as paragraphs (7) through (11),  
21 respectively;

22 (E) by inserting after paragraph (5) the  
23 following:

24 “(6) GOOD SAMARITAN REDUCED PRICE.—The  
25 term ‘good Samaritan reduced price’ means, with re-

1 spect to the price of an apparently wholesome food  
2 or an apparently fit grocery product, a price that is  
3 an amount not greater than the cost of handling, ad-  
4 ministering, and distributing the apparently whole-  
5 some food or apparently fit grocery product.”; and

6 (F) by inserting after paragraph (11) (as  
7 redesignated by subparagraph (D)) the fol-  
8 lowing:

9 “(12) QUALIFIED DIRECT DONOR.—The term  
10 ‘qualified direct donor’ means a retail grocer, whole-  
11 saler, agricultural producer, restaurant, caterer,  
12 school food authority, or institution of higher edu-  
13 cation (as defined in section 102 of the Higher Edu-  
14 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002))”; and

15 (2) in subsection (c)—

16 (A) in paragraph (1) by inserting “or sells  
17 at a good Samaritan reduced price” after “do-  
18 nates in good faith”;

19 (B) in paragraph (2) by inserting “or sale  
20 at a good Samaritan reduced price” after “ulti-  
21 mate distribution”;

22 (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
23 paragraph (4);

24 (D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the  
25 following:

1           “(3) DIRECT DONATIONS TO NEEDY INDIVID-  
2           UALS.—A qualified direct donor shall not be subject  
3           to civil or criminal liability arising from the nature,  
4           age, packaging, or condition of apparently whole-  
5           some food or an apparently fit grocery product that  
6           the qualified direct donor donates in good faith or  
7           sells at a good Samaritan reduced price to a needy  
8           individual.”; and

9                       (E) in paragraph (4) (as redesignated by  
10                      subparagraph (C)) by striking “Paragraphs (1)  
11                      and (2)” and inserting “Paragraphs (1)  
12                      through (3)”.

13 **SEC. 3. REGULATIONS.**

14           Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment  
15 of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall—

16                      (1) in consultation with the Secretary of Health  
17                      and Human Services, issue regulations with respect  
18                      to the safety and safety-related labeling standards of  
19                      an apparently wholesome food and an apparently fit  
20                      grocery product under section 22 of the Child Nutri-  
21                      tion Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1791) (as amended by  
22                      section 2);

23                      (2) promote awareness of food donation under  
24                      that section; and

1           (3) issue guidance with respect to the amend-  
2           ments made by this Act.

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