

## CALIFORNIA FOOD HANDLER CARD LAW

Recently passed Senate Bill 602 and pending Senate Bill 303 require food handlers to have a **California Food Handler Card** by July 1, 2011.

### Effective January 1, 2012 all food handlers must comply with Senate Bill 303

#### Who has to have the California Food Handler Card (CFHC) by January 1, 2012?

Individuals working in food facilities who are involved in preparing, storing, or handling food. This includes:

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| ✓Wait Staff            | ✓Bussers             | ✓Beverage Pourers (including |
| ✓Chefs                 | ✓Bartenders          | alcohol beverage pourers)    |
| ✓Cooks                 | ✓Host/hostesses that | ✓General Managers and other  |
| ✓Supervisory Personnel | handle food          | managers                     |

#### Who is exempt from obtaining a California Food Handler Card?

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| ✓Certified farmer's market       | ✓Commissaries         | ✓Restricted food service facility    |
| ✓School cafeterias               | ✓Pharmacies           | ✓Grocery stores, and grocery         |
| ✓Bed and breakfast               | ✓Mobile support units | delis, bakeries, meat and            |
| ✓Licensed health care facilities | ✓Any person who has a | produce departments all under        |
| ✓Temporary food facilities       | valid Food Manager    | one owner                            |
| ✓Food facilities subject to      | Certification         | ✓Facilities providing in-house       |
| food collective bargaining       |                       | safety training, if that training is |
| agreement                        |                       | approved for use in another          |
|                                  |                       | state that has adopted FDA           |
|                                  |                       | Model Food Code requirement          |

#### Approved food handler classes are provided by:

- ✓**Servsafe** (by National Restaurant Association) 800-765-2122 [www.FoodHandlerUSA.com](http://www.FoodHandlerUSA.com)
- ✓**NRFSP** (National Registry of Food Safety Professionals) 800-446-0257 [www.NRFSP.com](http://www.NRFSP.com)
- ✓**Prometric** 800-624-2736 [www.prometric.com/foodsafety](http://www.prometric.com/foodsafety)

✓**In addition to the above, new providers are continually being added.** To see a listing of recently approved providers, enter the following link in your web browser. Only the providers listed with the Food Handler Training and Certification are approved,

<https://www.ansi.org/Accreditation/credentialing/certificate-issuers/AllDirectoryListing?prgID=228,238&statusID=4>

For more information, contact the Lake County Environmental Health Division at 707-263-1164