

HB 2193 -- Nutritional Information Provided by Chain Restaurants

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This bill requires a chain restaurant to disclose the number of calories of each item on the menu next to and with equal prominence as the price of the item. A chain restaurant must have on the premises and make available upon request in writing the following nutritional information for a single order of each menu item including the:

- (1) Number of calories from fat;
- (2) Number of grams of total fat;
- (3) Number of grams of saturated fat;
- (4) Number of grams of carbohydrates;
- (5) Number of grams of sugar;
- (6) Number of milligrams of sodium;
- (7) Number of grams of dietary fiber; and
- (8) Number of grams of protein.

Menus or menu boards used by a chain restaurant must include statements regarding recommended daily caloric intake and the availability of additional nutritional information upon request.

The Department of Health and Senior Services can impose a penalty of between \$50 and \$500 on any chain restaurant for not providing or posting the required information. A local government cannot impose any of these requirements on a restaurant that is not a chain restaurant or require a chain restaurant to post any additional nutritional information.

Any person violating a provision of the bill will be fined between \$100 and \$1,000. Any person failing to comply with a department order will be assessed an administrative penalty of \$50 for each day of noncompliance after an order is served.

The bill becomes effective January 1, 2011.