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An act relating to canned or perishable food distributed free of charge; amending s. 768.136, F.S.; limiting the liability of public schools with respect to the donation of canned or perishable food to charitable or nonprofit organizations; revising a definition; authorizing a public school to donate food if the school meets food protection requirements adopted by the district school board; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 768.136, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

768.136 Liability for canned or perishable food distributed free of charge.—

- (1) As used in this section:
- (a) "Donor" means a person, business, organization, or institution, including a public school, which owns, rents, leases, or operates:
- 1. Any building, vehicle, place, or structure, or any room or division in a building, vehicle, place, or structure, that is maintained and operated as a place where food is regularly prepared, served, or sold for immediate consumption on or in the vicinity of the premises; or to be called for or taken out by customers; or to be delivered to factories, construction camps, airlines, locations where catered events are being held, and

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other similar locations for consumption at any place;

- 2. Any public location with vending machines dispensing prepared meals; or
 - 3. Any retail grocery store.

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Section 2. A public school may donate food to a charitable or nonprofit organization pursuant to s. 768.136, Florida

Statutes, if the school meets requirements adopted by the district school board for food protection, storage, handling, and transport. Such donation shall be approved by the school principal.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.