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independent grocers, wholesalers and consumer product vendors.*

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## **PFMA PRAISES SENATE VOTE TO PROHIBIT MUNICIPALITIES FROM CREATING EMPLOYEE LEAVE POLICIES**

CAMP HILL, PA (April 15, 2015) — The Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association (PFMA), the statewide association representing the retail food industry, praised the Pennsylvania Senate today for passing SB333, which prohibits local municipalities from creating employee leave policies.

SB333, sponsored by Senator John Eichelberger (R-Blair), creates a level playing field for businesses operating in the Commonwealth.

“We are so pleased the Senate passed this legislation allowing business owners to make the best decisions for their companies,” said Alex Baloga, PFMA director of government and public relations. “It protects the business community from local mandates that could put them out of business.”

“Our thanks to Senator Eichelberger (R-Blair) for sponsoring and moving forward this important legislation,” Baloga said.

Representative Seth Grove (R-York) has introduced similar legislation in the Pennsylvania House as HB184.

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The Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association advocates the views of more than 800 convenience stores, supermarkets, independent grocers, wholesalers and consumer product vendors. PFMA members operate more than 2,800 stores and employ more than 100,000 Pennsylvanians. For more information on PFMA, visit [www.pfma.org](http://www.pfma.org).

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