

Senate Engrossed House Bill

food handler certificate; volunteers; limits

State of Arizona  
House of Representatives  
Fifty-sixth Legislature  
Second Regular Session  
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**CHAPTER 87**

**HOUSE BILL 2079**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 11-269.28, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO FOOD  
HANDLER CERTIFICATES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2 Section 1. Section 11-269.28, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended  
3 to read:  
4 11-269.28. Food handler certificate; volunteers; exemption;  
5 definition  
6 A. A county may not require a person who volunteers at a school  
7 activity or function where food is being handled or served outside of the  
8 school's regular food service to students to obtain a food handler  
9 certificate or identification card or participate in a food handler  
10 certificate training course pursuant to section 11-269.12 if the person is  
11 overseen by a certified food protection manager or person in charge  
12 ~~as defined in Arizona administrative code R9-8-101(c)(3)(g).~~  
13 B. A COUNTY MAY NOT REQUIRE A PERSON WHO VOLUNTEERS THREE OR FEWER  
14 TIMES IN A CALENDAR YEAR AT AN ACTIVITY OR FUNCTION WHERE FOOD IS BEING  
15 PACKAGED OR HEATED TO OBTAIN A FOOD HANDLER CERTIFICATE OR IDENTIFICATION  
16 CARD OR PARTICIPATE IN A FOOD HANDLER CERTIFICATE TRAINING COURSE PURSUANT  
17 TO SECTION 11-269.12 IF THE PERSON IS OVERSEEN BY A CERTIFIED FOOD  
18 PROTECTION MANAGER OR PERSON IN CHARGE.  
19 C. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "PERSON IN CHARGE" MEANS THE  
20 INDIVIDUAL PRESENT AT A FOOD ESTABLISHMENT WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE  
21 MANAGEMENT OF THE OPERATION OF THE FOOD ESTABLISHMENT AT THE TIME OF  
22 INSPECTION.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 8, 2024.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 8, 2024.