

# **SB 972 and the California Retail Food Code**

California Senate Bill 972 (SB 972) amends the California Retail Food Code by establishing a new Chapter in the California Retail Food Code (CRFC) titled “Compact Mobile Food Operations.” This new sidewalk food vending category will extend opportunity to those vendors who aspire to obtain a health permit and who can demonstrate that they meet basic fundamental food safety requirements.

Currently, the San Francisco Department of Public Health is engaged in the process of adopting and transposing this new state law into the San Francisco Municipal Code, specifically Article 8 of the Health Code. It is the Department’s intention to immediately evaluate Compact Mobile Food Operations (CMFO). In addition, a permitting process for CMFO will be developed as soon as possible.

To read the said bill’s text, please follow this link: [Legislative Page to California Senate Bill No. 972](#)