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## **BCRFA applauds defeat of menu labelling bill**

The 3,500 member BC Restaurant and Foodservices Association is applauding MPs for defeating a private members' bill that would have forced mandatory menu labelling.

Bill C-283 would have required foodservice operators with over \$10 million in annual sales to list nutrition information beside each item on their menu board or printed menu.

Ian Tostenson, President and CEO of the BC Restaurant and Foodservices Association, says the restaurant industry has already taken a number of steps to educate consumers about the nutritional content of food served in chain restaurants.

"The legislation was completely unworkable. We're pleased that MPs did the common sense thing by supporting our call to defeat it," Tostenson said.

Tostenson noted that there are already voluntary information programs in place at the national level through the Canadian Restaurant and Foodservices Association that give customers detailed nutrition information for standard menu items.

The bill was opposed by MPs from all parties who defeated it by a three-to-one margin.

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