

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to gratuity or service charges;
 3 amending s. 509.214, F.S.; requiring specified notice
 4 by a public food service establishment that includes a
 5 suggested gratuity or service charge in the price of a
 6 meal; providing an effective date.

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

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 10 Section 1. Section 509.214, Florida Statutes, is amended
 11 to read:

12 509.214 Notification of ~~automatic~~ gratuity or service
 13 charge.-

14 (1) Every public food service establishment that ~~which~~
 15 includes an automatic gratuity or service charge in the price of
 16 the meal shall include on the food menu and on the face of the
 17 bill provided to the customer notice that an automatic gratuity
 18 or service charge is included.

19 (2) Every public food service establishment that includes
 20 a suggested gratuity or service charge on the bill provided to
 21 the customer shall include on the face of the same bill a notice
 22 of the method for calculating the suggested gratuity or service
 23 charge. Such notice shall, at a minimum, advise the customer:

24 (a) If the calculation was based on the pre-tax amount or
 25 the post-tax amount.

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26 (b) The percentage used to calculate the suggested
27 gratuity or service charge, which was applied to the amount in
28 paragraph (a) to calculate the suggested total shown on the
29 bill.

30 Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2018.