Borough of Butler

Dear Business Owner,

On January 20, 2026, Bill S3195 was passed and signed into law in the State of New Jersey. **Effective as of August 1, 2026, this bill prohibits food service businesses from providing single-use utensils and condiments to customers in an effort to reduce single-use utensils and condiments.** This law does NOT apply to napkins, but does apply to single-use utensils, condiment packets, and plastic straws.

Business requirements are broken down into the following categories: casual dining, full-service dine-in, and full-service take-out.

To view the full breakdown of what is allowable for each of these categories, please visit the NJDEP webpage by scanning the QR code, or visiting NJDEP| Get Past Plastic | Restaurant Guide

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As specified in this law, casual dining establishments are only able to provide single-use utensils, plastic straws, and condiments if the customer requests it. They are also permitted to have self-serve condiment stations and self-serve utensil dispensers (not self-serve utensil stations).

To assist in getting this message across to customers, please consider posting the attached flyer in your business and within costumer view.

Thank you for your dedication to complying with recent legislation updates and for helping to reduce plastic use across New Jersey.

For any questions, please reach out to me via email, SBiagi@ButlerBorough.com

Sincerely,

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