Food Sanitation Law (Law No. 233 of 1947)

Article 3 [Responsibility of Food-Related Business Operators]

- 1. Any business operator of food, etc. (a person or corporation that handles, manufactures, imports, processes, prepares, stores, transports, or sells food or food additives as a business, a person or corporation that manufactures, imports, or sells apparatus and containers/packages as a business, or a person or corporation that serves foods continuously to a public or a large number of persons; the same hereinafter) shall voluntarily make an effort to get knowledge and techniques related to the securing of the safety of the food, food additives, apparatus or containers/packages that was handled, manufactured, imported, processed, prepared, stored, transported, sold, offered to the public or a large number of persons, or used for business purpose (hereinafter referred to as "food intended for sale, etc."), related to the securing of the safety of the raw materials of food intended for sale, etc., related to the practice of the self-imposed examination, and make an effort to take an any other necessary measures.
- 2. Within the limit for prevention of the occurrence of health hazards arising from food intended for sale, etc., any business operator of food shall make a record of the list of the names of suppliers of food intended for sale, etc. or its raw materials, being attached with any other necessary information, and shall make an effort for its maintenance.
- 3. In order to prevent the occurrence of health hazards arising from food intended for sale, etc., any business operator of food intended for sale, etc. shall make an effort precisely and quickly so as to work for the effort of the record prescribed in the preceding Paragraph to the state and prefectures, for the disposal of the food intended for sale, etc. which caused the outbreak of food sanitation hazards, and for any other necessary measure that can be taken.