**Conference for Food Protection**

**2020 Issue Form**

**Issue: 2020 I-022**

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| **Council Recommendation:** | Accepted as  Submitted |  | Accepted as Amended |  | No Action |  |
| **Delegate Action:** | Accepted |  | Rejected |  |  |  |

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**Title:**

Amend Food Code to Harmonize the Definition Reusable Container

**Recommended Solution: The Conference recommends...:**

that a letter be sent to the FDA requesting that the most current edition of the Food Code be amended to update the title of section 3-304.17 from "Refilling Returnables" to "Filling Reusable Containers" and further include a definition of a "Reusable Container" in section 1-2 Definitions.

New language should be based on the following, proposed definition:

Reusable Container means 1) a vessel under the ownership or care of the CONSUMER, which is intended for filling with FOOD or BEVERAGE at the FOOD ESTABLISHMENT. 2) is designed and constructed for reuse in accordance with the requirements specified under Parts 4-1 and 4-2.

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