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GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS



Independent contractors are already finding ways to work around AB 5

People are seeking workarounds to California's new gig-worker law, which may be a big reason why there is an increase in the number of applications to form limited liability corporations, or LLCs.

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Grubhub, DoorDash rush to add restaurants. Customers and drivers pay the price

Third-party delivery services have been delivering food from restaurants that don't have a business relationship with these apps, and in some cases, don't offer orders for delivery or takeout. Is this even legal? Restaurants, drivers and legal experts weigh in.

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Well-known chef blames Santa Rosa officials for his restaurant's demise

Gerard Nebesky beat Bobby Flay, but he couldn't beat city hall. "The city simply doesn't put out any money to support us," Nebesky says. His restaurant was set to close February 3, a victim of "restrictive parking and a burgeoning homeless population."

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Southern California Food Industry Conference – 2050: Future of Food Through Technology

March 5, 2020, Hyatt Regency Orange County. Hear experts discuss the future of food. Some of the speakers include Dr. Robin Lougee, Industrial Research, IBM; Dr. Hamed Faridi, McCormick Company; Dr. Jose Ordovas, Nutrition and Genomics Center, Tufts University; Dr. Eric Decker, Univ. of Massachusetts.

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Five PR ideas you can implement in your restaurant this year

Need help with promotional ideas? Here are five that you can shedule without a lot of work. Customers love to give back to the community, so consider the first idea and make **Restaurants Care®** your beneficiary!

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Four technology must-haves to improve your restaurant business

Restaurant owner Jessica Kagin-Tropea found that the following technologies became a staple of her sales and marketing repertoire. Growing the market, she was able to address and welcome that market into her establishments.

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News You Need to Know: New court decision solidifies rules on service



Member content: Potential inventory write-off for restaurants

charges

Without providing a reason, the California Supreme Court has declined to review or de-publish an earlier ruling from an appeals court, which determined that a service charge can be a tip. This means that the earlier guidance the CRA gave on distribution of service charges will stand. Hear the details and see the CRA's **Industry Insight: Service charges definition and guidelines.**

The overhaul of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) in 2018 allows more restaurants to qualify as small business taxpayers. This allows for the opportunity to change their accounting method and expense unsold inventory.

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