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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 420

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"AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE STATUTES OF THE OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following
2 in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2008*) (a) As may be used in this
4 section and for purposes of the Department of Consumer Protection's
5 enforcement of section 21a-102 of the general statutes:

6 (1) "International Olive Council" means the international voluntary
7 consensus trade organization formed for the development of standards
8 on characteristics and performance of olive products and the
9 promotion of trade and knowledge related to the accurate and honest
10 presentation of such products.

11 (2) "Olive oil" means the oil obtained solely from the fruit of the
12 olive tree, excluding oils obtained using solvents or reesterification

13 processes and of any mixture with oils of other kinds.

14 (3) "Olive oil for the purpose of product labeling" means oil
15 consisting of a blend of refined olive oil and virgin olive oils fit for
16 consumption as they are. Such olive oil has a free acidity, expressed as
17 oleic acid, of not more than one gram per one hundred grams and such
18 olive oil's other characteristics correspond to those fixed for this
19 category in this section.

20 (4) "Olive-pomace oil for the purpose of product labeling" means oil
21 obtained by treating olive pomace with solvents or other physical
22 treatments, excluding oils obtained by reesterification processes and of
23 any mixture with oils of other kinds.

24 (5) "Refined olive oil for the purpose of product labeling" means the
25 olive oil obtained from virgin olive oils by refining methods that do
26 not lead to alterations in the initial glyceridic structure. Such refined
27 olive oil has a free acidity, expressed as oleic acid, of not more than
28 three-tenths of a gram per one hundred grams and such refined olive
29 oil's other characteristics correspond to those fixed for this category in
30 this section of the general statutes.

31 (6) "Virgin olive oil for the purpose of product labeling" means those
32 oils obtained from the fruit of the olive tree solely by mechanical or
33 other physical means under conditions, particularly thermal
34 conditions, that do not lead to alterations in the oil, and which have
35 not undergone any treatment other than washing, decanting,
36 centrifuging and filtration. Virgin olive oils fit for consumption as they
37 are include:

38 (A) Extra virgin olive oil which is a virgin olive oil that has a free
39 acidity, expressed as oleic acid, of not more than eight-tenths of a gram
40 per one hundred grams, and the other characteristics of which
41 correspond to those fixed for this category in this standard;

42 (B) Virgin olive oil which is a virgin olive oil which has a free
43 acidity, expressed as oleic acid, of not more than two grams per one

44 hundred grams and the other characteristics of which correspond to
45 those fixed for this category in this standard; and

46 (C) Ordinary virgin olive oil which is virgin olive oil which has a
47 free acidity, expressed as oleic acid, of not more than three and three-
48 tenths grams per one hundred grams and the other characteristics of
49 which correspond to those fixed for this category in this standard.

50 (b) No additives are permitted in virgin olive oils.

51 (c) The addition of alpha-tocopherol to refined olive oil, olive oil,
52 refined olive-pomace oil and olive-pomace oil is permitted to restore
53 natural tocopherol lost in the refining process. The concentration of
54 alpha-tocopherol in the final product shall not exceed two hundred
55 milligrams per kilogram.

56 (d) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall require that
57 olive oil presented and sold for human consumption in intrastate
58 commerce in the state of Connecticut shall meet International Olive
59 Council standard, provided that said standard shall be replaced by the
60 standard of identity for olive oil as adopted by the United States Food
61 and Drug Administration when such standard is adopted.

62 (e) A copy of the International Olive Council trade standard
63 applying to olive oils and olive-pomace oils shall be maintained by the
64 Department of Consumer Protection for examination by the public
65 during normal business hours. At such time that the United States
66 Food and Drug Administration adopts a standard that replaces the
67 International Olive Council standard, the department shall instead
68 maintain copies of such standard for examination by the public during
69 normal business hours.

70 (f) Failure to meet the standards set forth in subsection (d) of this
71 section shall render such olive oil sold in intrastate commerce in the
72 state of Connecticut misbranded pursuant to section 21a-102 of the
73 Connecticut general statutes."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section