



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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House Bill No. 5326

House of Representatives, April 4, 2012

The Committee on General Law reported through REP. TABORSAK of the 109th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ENCOURAGING THE PURCHASE OF FOOD PRODUCTS GROWN OR MADE IN CONNECTICUT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2013*) (a) A grocery store that
2 sells or offers for sale a food product that has a traceable point of origin
3 in the state shall post conspicuously, on a sign attached to the food
4 product itself, on a sign affixed to each cash register or point of sale at
5 which such food product is offered for sale, or on a sign so situated as
6 to be clearly visible to the buyer from the register, that such food
7 product has been grown or made in Connecticut.

8 (b) A grocery store required to post a sign regarding a food product
9 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall identify on each
10 purchaser's receipt the portion of such purchase consisting of food
11 products having a traceable point of origin in the state.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2013</i>	New section

GL *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

The bill results in no fiscal impact as the Department of Consumer Protection currently has personnel monitoring grocery stores for other matters.

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OLR Bill Analysis**HB 5326*****AN ACT ENCOURAGING THE PURCHASE OF FOOD PRODUCTS GROWN OR MADE IN CONNECTICUT.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires grocery stores that sell or offer to sell food products that have a Connecticut traceable point of origin to post a conspicuous sign (1) on the product, (2) on each cash register or point of sale, or (3) at a place visible from the register. The sign must state that the product was grown or made in Connecticut.

The bill also requires these grocery stores to identify on the receipt, the portion of each purchase that consists of food products with a Connecticut traceable point of origin.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2013

COMMITTEE ACTION

General Law Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 17 Nay 1 (03/20/2012)