



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5329***

LCO No. 1558



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:  
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF NATURAL FOOD.***

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision (17) of section 21a-92 of the 2014 supplement  
2 to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in  
3 lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

4 (17) "Natural food" means food (A) [which] that has not been treated  
5 with preservatives, antibiotics, synthetic additives, artificial flavoring  
6 or artificial coloring; and (B) [which] that has not been processed in a  
7 manner that makes such food significantly less nutritive; and (C)  
8 [which] on and after the Commissioner of Consumer Protection  
9 recognizes the occurrence of the events described in subdivisions (1)  
10 and (2) of subsection (a) of section 21a-92c, that has not been  
11 genetically-engineered, as defined in section 21a-92b, provided this  
12 subparagraph shall apply only to food that is intended for human  
13 consumption. Processing of food by extracting, purifying, heating,  
14 fermenting, concentrating, dehydrating, cooling or freezing shall not,  
15 of itself, prevent the designation of such food as "natural food";

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	21a-92(17)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To amend the definition of "natural food" to make the provisions concerning genetically-engineered food operative only upon the occurrence of events described in section 21a-92c of the general statutes and not applicable to pet food.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*