
OLR Bill Analysis

SB 106

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE OF "CONNECTICUT GROWN" PRODUCTS.

SUMMARY

This bill requires anyone who sells a Connecticut-grown farm product through the Connecticut farm-to-school program to offer proof to the school district, school, or educational institution buying the product that it was produced in Connecticut. The proof must, at a minimum, include the name of the person or business that produced the product and the name and address of the farm where it was produced. The bill does not specify a penalty for failing to disclose this information.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2018

BACKGROUND

Connecticut Farm-to-School Program

The Connecticut farm-to-school program encourages the use of Connecticut-grown farm products in school cafeterias. State law requires the Department of Agriculture, in consultation with the state Department of Education (SDE), to administer the program in a way that promotes and facilitates the sale of Connecticut-grown farm products by farms to school districts, individual schools, and other educational institutions under SDE's jurisdiction (CGS § 22-38d).

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 30 Nay 0 (02/28/2018)