

HOUSE BILL No. 4246

January 31, 1995, Introduced by Rep. Varga and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

A bill to amend Act No. 30 of the Public Acts of 1923, entitled as amended

"An act to define cheese and to regulate the manufacture and sale of same within the limits of the state of Michigan; to provide for labeling and to prescribe a penalty,"

as amended, being sections 288.281 to 288.284 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, by adding section 1a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Act No. 30 of the Public Acts of 1923, as
- 2 amended, being sections 288.281 to 288.284 of the Michigan
- 3 Compiled Laws, is amended by adding section 1a to read as
- 4 follows:
- 5 SEC. 1A. (1) A PERSON WHO SELLS, OFFERS FOR SALE, EXPOSES
- 6 FOR SALE, OR POSSESSES WITH INTENT TO SELL CHEESE CONTAINING MILK
- 7 OR A MILK PRODUCT DERIVED FROM A COW NOT TREATED WITH RBST MAY

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- 1 LABEL THAT CHEESE WITH A CONSPICUOUS NOTICE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE
- 2 FOLLOWING FORM:
- 3 "THIS PRODUCT WAS DERIVED FROM COWS NOT TREATED WITH RBST.
- 4 RBST IS RECOMBINANT BOVINE SOMATOTROPIN, A RECOMBINANT BOVINE
- 5 GROWTH HORMONE USED WITH LACTATING DAIRY COWS TO INCREASE MILK
- 6 PRODUCTION. NO SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE HAS BEEN SHOWN BETWEEN
- 7 MILK DERIVED FROM RBST-TREATED AND NON-RBST-TREATED COWS.".
- 8 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "RBST" MEANS RECOMBINANT BOVINE
- 9 SOMATOTROPIN, A RECOMBINANT BOVINE GROWTH HORMONE USED WITH A
- 10 LACTATING DAIRY COW TO INCREASE MILK PRODUCTION.