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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 47-17-510, RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION AGAINST MISLEADING OR DECEPTIVE PRACTICES, LABELING, OR MISREPRESENTING PRODUCT THAT IS CELL-CULTURED MEAT, SO AS TO DEFINE CELL-CULTIVATED FOOD PRODUCT AND REQUIRE THE ACCURATE LABELING OF CELL-CULTIVATED FOOD PRODUCT.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 47-17-510 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 47-17-510. A person who advertises, offers for sale, or sells all or part of a carcass shall not engage in any misleading or deceptive practices, labeling, or misrepresenting a product as “meat” or “clean meat” that is cell-cultured meat/protein, or is not derived from harvested production livestock, poultry, fish, or crustaceans. For the purposes of this section, "cell-cultivated food product" means any food product developed in a laboratory or facility and grown from a sample of living animal cells including, but not limited, to livestock, poultry, fish, or crustaceans.

(B) It shall be unlawful for any person to label any cell-cultivated food product as beef, poultry, fish, crustacean, or any other animal protein that the cell-cultivated food product may resemble for the purposes of manufacturing, selling, or holding or offering for sale in this State.

(C) Any person who manufactures, sells, or holds or offers for sale any cell-cultivated food product in this State must place a notice on the cell-cultivated food's packaging that indicates that the cell-cultivated food product is not beef, poultry, fish, crustacean, or any other animal protein that the cell-cultivated food product may resemble. The notice on the packaging shall be at a minimum twenty percent of the front of the packaging and must be prominently printed in a font size no smaller than sixteen. Further, the notice shall state: "This product contains protein that was developed in a lab and grown from a biopsy of animal cells. The protein in this product is not naturally grown beef, poultry, fish, crustacean, or any other animal protein."

(D) Each package that violates a provision of this section shall be a separate and distinct offense.

(E) The Department of Agriculture may promulgate regulations as necessary to implement this section.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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