

E AND R AMENDMENTS TO LB 114

Introduced by Larson, 40, Chairperson Enrollment and Review

1           1. Strike the original section and all amendments thereto  
2 and insert the following new section:

3           Section 1. (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to  
4 provide for an identity standard for packaged food products labeled  
5 as honey in order to aid consumer information and to protect the  
6 integrity of the honey industry in Nebraska.

7           (2) The Department of Agriculture shall adopt and  
8 promulgate rules and regulations that adopt a standard for all  
9 honeys produced by honey bees. Such standard shall be consistent  
10 with Codex Standard 12-1981, as revised in 2001, from the Codex  
11 Alimentarius Commission of the Food and Agriculture Organization  
12 and the World Health Organization of the United Nations. Such rules  
13 and regulations shall be effective on or before January 1, 2012.

14           (3) A product shall not be labeled as honey or be labeled  
15 as to imply that the product is honey unless the product meets the  
16 standard for honey adopted by the Department of Agriculture under  
17 subsection (2) of this section.

18           (4) A violation of subsection (3) of this section shall  
19 constitute a deceptive trade practice under the Uniform Deceptive  
20 Trade Practices Act and shall be subject to any remedies or  
21 penalties available for a violation under the act.

22           2. On page 1, line 2, strike "for damages" and insert  
23 "under the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act".