

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0198

Country of origin label-USA beef.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Hunt, Blake, Flitner,
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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to food labeling; requiring country of
2 origin labeling for beef that is a product of the United
3 States of America, and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 35-7-119(e) is amended to read:

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9 **35-7-119. Fair packaging and labeling provisions.**

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11 (e) Every retailer and every wholesaler who sells or
12 offers for sale in this state through an establishment or
13 otherwise any meat, which is the product of any country
14 foreign to the United States, shall clearly label the meat
15 as "imported," naming the country of its origin. Every

1 retailer and every wholesaler who sells or offers for sale
2 in this state through an establishment or otherwise any
3 beef which is the product of the United States shall
4 clearly label the beef as a product of the United States of
5 America. The department shall promulgate rules and

6 regulations with respect to labeling. As used in this
7 subsection:

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9 (i) "Beef" means any meat from cattle, including
10 veal;

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12 ~~(i)~~ (ii) "Meat" means the edible part of the
13 muscle of animals, which is skeletal or which is found in
14 the tongue, in the diaphragm, in the heart or in the
15 esophagus, with or without the accompanying or overlying
16 fat, and the portions of bone, skin, sinew, nerve and blood
17 vessels which normally accompany the muscle tissue and
18 which are not separated from it in the process of dressing,
19 but shall not include the muscle found in the lips, snout
20 or ears, nor any edible part of the muscle which has been
21 manufactured, cured, smoked, cooked or processed;

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1 ~~(ii)~~(iii) "Retailer" means a person regularly
2 engaged in the business of selling meat at retail to the
3 public, and selling only to the user or consumer and not
4 for resale;

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6 ~~(iii)~~ (iv) "Wholesaler" means a person regularly
7 engaged in the business of selling meat at wholesale to
8 retailers for subsequent sale at retail to the public.

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10 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2017.

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12 (END)