

HR 4814

Genetically Engineered Food Right to Know Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 4, 2002
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Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 3, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 22, 2002)

Genetically Engineered Food Right to Know Act - Amends the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA), Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA), and the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA) to deem a food misbranded if it contains or was produced with a genetically engineered material unless its labeling contains statements meeting specified requirements. Requires the periodic testing of such foods transferred along a chain of distribution to assure accuracy of labels, subject to specified exceptions. Excludes, in all three Acts, food: (1) served in restaurants; or (2) prepared primarily in a retail establishment, ready for human consumption, but not offered for sale for immediate consumption in the establishment. Excludes, for the FDCA, a medical food as defined in the Orphan Drug Act.

Subjects violators to civil monetary penalties, exempting recipients who accept a guarantee of the absence of genetically engineered material in good faith or producers whose food inadvertently becomes contaminated by genetically engineered material. Authorizes citizen suits as specified.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 4, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture.
- **Jun 4, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Farm Commodities and Risk Management.
- **Jun 3, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
- **May 22, 2002:** Introduced in House
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