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## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 97

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DIGEST OF SB 97 (Updated March 24, 2021 3:56 pm - DI 133)

**Citations Affected:** IC 1-2.

**Synopsis:** Popcorn grown in Indiana. Designates popcorn grown in Indiana as the official state snack of Indiana.

**Effective:** July 1, 2021.

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### Grooms, Leising, Zay, Doriot, Breux

(HOUSE SPONSORS — LEHE, DAVISSON, VERMILION, SNOW)

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January 5, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture.  
January 11, 2021, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.  
January 14, 2021, read second time, ordered engrossed. Engrossed.  
January 25, 2021, read third time, passed. Yeas 45, nays 4.

HOUSE ACTION

February 23, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Government and Regulatory Reform.  
March 25, 2021, reported — Do Pass.

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First Regular Session of the 122nd General Assembly (2021)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2020 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning general provisions.

*Whereas, the United States produces nearly all of the world's popcorn, and is the first in the world for consumption of popcorn.*

*Whereas, twenty-five (25) states in the United States grow the crop.*

*Whereas, the State of Indiana ranks second in the nation for production of popcorn, just behind the State of Nebraska, which produces more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the nation's popcorn.*

*Whereas, the States of Illinois, Ohio, and Missouri also produce large amounts of the nation's popcorn.*

*Whereas, Americans eat approximately thirteen (13) billion quarts of popcorn each year.*

*Whereas, the State of Indiana produces nearly five hundred million (500,000,000) pounds of popcorn on Hoosier soil each year.*

*Whereas, the production of popcorn grown in Indiana has brought jobs to the State of Indiana.*

*Whereas, Purdue University plant breeders helped pioneer popcorn*

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*breeding in the late 1930s and early 1940s, and those varieties were used by Orville Redenbacher and others in the industry today.*

*Whereas, the State of Indiana has an opportunity to designate popcorn grown in Indiana as its state snack: Therefore,*

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1           SECTION 1. IC 1-2-16 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2021]:  
4           **Chapter 16. State Snack**  
5           **Sec. 1. Popcorn grown in Indiana is designated as the official**  
6 **state snack of Indiana.**



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 97, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, line 13 of the preamble, delete "Indiana grown popcorn" and insert "*popcorn grown in Indiana*".

Page 2, line 4 of the preamble, delete "Indiana grown popcorn" and insert "*popcorn grown in Indiana*".

Page 2, line 5, delete "Indiana grown popcorn" and insert "**Popcorn grown in Indiana**".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 97 as introduced.)

LEISING, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Government and Regulatory Reform, to which was referred Senate Bill 97, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 97 as printed January 12, 2021.)

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Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 2

