

RAW HONEY AMENDMENTS

2011 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Stephen E. Sandstrom

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill requires that honey produced, packed, repacked, distributed, or sold in this state may only be labeled as raw honey if it meets the definition of raw honey described in this bill.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ requires that honey produced, packed, repacked, distributed, or sold in this state may only be labeled as raw honey if meets the definition of raw honey described in this bill; and
- ▶ grants rulemaking authority to the department to establish and enforce designation and labeling requirements for raw honey consistent with this section.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

4-5-20, Utah Code Annotated 1953



28 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

29 Section 1. Section **4-5-20** is enacted to read:

30 **4-5-20. Food designated as raw honey.**

31 (1) As used in this section:

32 (a) "Honey" means the natural sweet substance produced by honeybees from nectar of
33 plants or from secretions of living parts of plants that the bees collect, transform by combining
34 with specific substances of their own, then deposit, dehydrate, store, and leave in the
35 honeycomb to ripen and mature.

36 (b) "Raw honey" means honey:

37 (i) as it exists in the beehive or as obtained by extraction, settling, or straining; and

38 (ii) that has not been:

39 (A) heated above 118 degrees Fahrenheit during production or storage; or

40 (B) pasteurized.

41 (2) Honey that is produced, packed, repacked, distributed, or sold in this state may only
42 be labeled and designated as raw honey if it meets:

43 (a) the definition of raw honey in this section; and

44 (b) any additional requirements imposed by the department by rule.

45 (3) The department shall make rules, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
46 Administrative Rulemaking Act, to establish and enforce designation and labeling
47 requirements consistent with the provisions of this section.

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