

By the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Services; and
Senator Geller

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to food product dating;
requiring that food products display shelf-life
expiration dates; providing exceptions;
providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Any retail food product sold in a container
in the state must display a conspicuous notice that indicates
the month, day, and year of the expiration of the shelf-life
of the product. This section does not apply to fresh fruits
and vegetables or items that sell for less than 25 cents a
piece. The dating may be done by the seller, wholesaler,
vendor, or retailer.

Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SB 112

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 112 is different from
Senate Bill 112 in that it authorizes sellers, wholesalers,
vendors, or retailers to display a conspicuous notice that
indicates the expiration of a product's shelf-life. The terms
"BEST IF USED BY" and "SELL BY" were deleted.