

By Representative Meadows

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

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

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9 Section 1. Any retail food product sold in a container
 10 in the state must display a conspicuous "BEST IF USED BY" or
 11 "SELL BY" date that indicates the month, day, and year of the
 12 expiration of the shelf-life of the product. This section does
 13 not apply to fresh fruits and vegetables or items that sell
 14 for less than 25 cents a piece. The dating may be done by the
 15 seller, wholesaler, vendor, or retailer.

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

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19 SENATE SUMMARY

20 Requires that packaged retail food products conspicuously
21 display a shelf-life expiration date.

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