

By Senator Ring

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to food labeling; amending s. 500.11, F.S.; providing that a food is misbranded if its label does not contain each ingredient in the food, including spices, flavorings, and color additives; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (i) of subsection (1) of section 500.11, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

500.11 Food deemed misbranded.--

(1) A food is deemed to be misbranded:

(i) Unless its label bears:

1. The common or usual name of the food, if any; and

2. If it is fabricated from two or more ingredients, the common or usual name of each ingredient and, if the food purports to be a beverage containing vegetable or fruit juice, a statement placed with appropriate prominence on the information panel specifying the total percentage of such vegetable or fruit juice contained in the food; ~~except that spices, flavorings, and color additives not required to be certified under 21 U.S.C. s. 379(e), other than those sold as such, may be designated as spices, flavorings, and color additives, without naming each; provided, that,~~

To the extent that compliance with this paragraph is impractical or results in deception or unfair competition, exemptions shall be established by rules adopted by the department.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2007.

SENATE SUMMARY

Provides that a food is misbranded if its label does not contain each ingredient in the food, including spices, flavorings, and color additives.