

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to food additives; creating s.
 3 500.181, F.S.; requiring food and drink products
 4 intended for human consumption that contain synthetic
 5 dyes to have a certain warning on the products'
 6 packaging; providing penalties; providing for the
 7 deposit of penalty proceeds; requiring the Department
 8 of Agriculture and Consumer Services to conduct
 9 certain inspections; providing an effective date.

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

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 13 **Section 1. Section 500.181, Florida Statutes, is created**
 14 **to read:**

15 500.181 Food additives.—

16 (1) (a) Effective July 1, 2026, an article used for food or
 17 drink for human consumption containing any synthetic color
 18 additive, including Blue 1 (CAS 3844-45-9), Blue 2 (CAS 860-22-
 19 0), Green 3 (CAS 2353-45-9), Red 40 (CAS 25956-17-6), Yellow 5
 20 (CAS 1934-21-0), Yellow 6 (CAS 2783-94-0), and, when used as a
 21 color additive, titanium dioxide (CAS 13463-67-7), must display
 22 the following warning:

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 24 "WARNING: This product contains synthetic colors, which may have
 25 an adverse effect on activity and attention in children."

26 (b) A manufacturer may, until December 31, 2028, use an
27 adhesive sticker to provide the warning requirements in
28 paragraph (a). However, beginning January 1, 2029, such warnings
29 must be printed directly on the product's packaging.

30 (2) (a) A manufacturer who violates subsection (1) is
31 subject to a formal written notice and a fine of:

32 1. Up to \$1,000 per item, for a first offense.

33 2. Up to \$2,500 per item, for a second offense.

34 3. Up to \$5,000 per item, for a third or subsequent
35 offense.

36 (b) A retailer or distributor who sells a product that
37 violates subsection (1) is subject to the following penalties:

38 1. A written warning for a first offense.

39 2. A formal citation requiring corrective action for a
40 second offense.

41 3. A fine of \$750 for a third offense.

42 4. A fine of \$1,000 for a fourth offense.

43 5. A fine of up to \$2,500 for a fifth or subsequent
44 offense.

45 (c) Fines collected pursuant to this section shall be
46 deposited in the department's General Inspection Trust Fund.

47 (3) The department shall conduct inspections under this
48 section as part of regular food and drink product inspections.

49 **Section 2.** This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.