DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Robin Ryan:

This is the draft concerning labeling of dairy products containing certain imported substances. It might be appropriate to add a delayed effective date to the draft to provide time for coming into compliance. Please note that in ch. 97, "sell" is defined to include offering to sell.

The penalties for violating the prohibition in this draft would be those provided in s. 97.72. If you would prefer different penalties, please let me know.

There are federal laws relating to the labeling of foods and other products. In view of the time frame for completing the draft, I have not researched whether this draft might conflict with any federal laws. I do remember that when the legislature was considering legislation concerning labeling milk to show whether synthetic bovine growth hormone was used in its production there were questions about whether some proposals were consistent with federal law.

Please let me know if you have any questions or want any changes in the draft.

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