HOUSE BILL NO. 646

INTRODUCED BY RAPP-SVRCEK, JACOBSON, HAGER, CRIPPEN, BERGENE, NATHE, ERNST, B. BROWN, CONOVER, MERCER

IN THE HOUSE

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February 2, 1985	Introduced and referred to Committee on Business and Labor.
	Rereferred to Committee on Human Services and Aging.
February 14, 1985	Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.
February 15, 1985	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February 16, 1985	Second reading, pass consideration.
February 18, 1985	Motion pass consideration.
February 19, 1985	Second reading, do pass as amended.
	Correctly engrossed.
February 21, 1985	Third reading, passed.
	Transmitted to Senate.
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February 22, 1985	Introduced and referred to Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
March 19, 1985	Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
March 22, 1985	Second reading, concurred in as amended.

March 25, 1985

Third reading, concurred in Ayes, 46; Noes, 3.

Returned to House with amendments.

IN THE HOUSE

March 26, 1985

April 8, 1985

Received from Senate.

Second reading, amendments concurred in.

On motion, rules suspended and bill placed on third reading this day.

Third reading, amendments concurred in.

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Reported correctly enrolled.

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- 21 (c) articles (other than food) intended to affect the
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- 23 (d) articles intended for use as components of any
- 24 article specified in subsections (a), (b), or (c) but does
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- 2 (12) "Federal act" means the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, as amended (Title 21 U.S.C. 301, et seq.). 3
- (13) "Food" means: 4
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- (14) (a) "Food additive" means a substance, the intended use of which results or may be reasonably expected to result, directly or indirectly, in its becoming a 12 component or otherwise affecting the characteristics of food 13 (including a substance intended for use in producing, manufacturing, packing, processing, preparing, treating, packaging, transporting, or holding food and including a source of radiation intended for this use), if the substance is not generally recognized, among experts qualified by scientific training and experience to evaluate its safety, as having been adequately shown through scientific procedures (or, in the case of a substance used in a food prior to January 1, 1958, through either scientific procedures or experience based on common use in food) to be safe under the conditions of its intended use.
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- 25 (i) a pesticide chemical in or on a raw agricultural

- 1 commodity:
- 2 (ii) a pesticide chemical to the extent that it is 3 intended for use or is used in the production, storage, or
- 4 transportation of a raw agricultural commodity;
- 5 (iii) color additive:
- 6 (iv) substance used in accordance with a sanction or 7 approval granted prior to the enactment of the Food Additives Amendment of 1958, pursuant to the federal act, 9 the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 451, et 10 seq.), or the Meat Inspection Act of March 4, 1907 (34 Stat.
- 11 1260), as amended and extended (21 U.S.C. 71, et seq.).
- 12 (15) "Food service establishment" means a restaurant, 13 catering vehicle, vending machine, delicatessen, fast-food 14 retailer, or any other place that serves food to the public 15 for consumption either at or away from the point of service, 16 and any facility operated by a governmental entity where 17 food is served.
- 18 (16) "Hamburger" or "ground beef" means ground fresh or 19 frozen beef or a combination of both fresh and frozen beef, 20 with or without the addition of suet, to which no water, 21 binders, or extenders are added. There are three grades of 22 hamburger or ground beef:
- 23 (a) "economy hamburger" or "economy ground beef" may 24 have a fat content no greater than the federal standard set 25 forth in 9 C.F.R. 319.15;

- 1 (b) "regular hamburger" or "regular ground beef" may 2 have a fat content no greater than 21%;
- (c) "extra lean hamburger" or "extra lean ground beef"may have a fat content no greater than 18%.
- 5 (17) "Honey" means the nectar and saccharine exudations
 6 of plants gathered, modified, and stored in the comb by
 7 honey bees; is levorotatory, contains not more than 25% of
 8 water, not more than .25% of ash, and not more than 8%
 9 sucrose.
- 10 (18) "Label" means a display of written, printed, or
 11 graphic matter on the immediate container of an article.
 12 ("Immediate container" does not include package liners.)
- 13 (19) "Labeling" means labels and other written,
 14 printed, or graphic matter:
 - (a) on an article or its containers or wrappers;
- (b) accompanying the article.

- 17 (20) "Menu" means any list presented to the patron
 18 which states the food items for sale in a food service
 19 establishment.
- 20 (21) "New drug" means a drug, the composition of which
 21 is such that:
- 22 (a) it is not generally recognized, among experts
 23 qualified by scientific training and experience to evaluate
 24 the safety and effectiveness of drugs, as safe and effective
 25 for use under the conditions prescribed, recommended, or

- suggested in its labeling; or
- 2 (b) the drug, as a result of investigations to
 3 determine its safety and effectiveness for use under the
 4 conditions prescribed, has become so recognized but which
 5 has not, otherwise than in the investigations, been used to
 6 a material extent or for a material time under the
 7 conditions prescribed.
- 8 (22) "Official compendium" means the official United 9 States Pharmacopoeia, official National Formulary, or a 10 supplement to either of these.
- 11 (23) "Organic food" means food that conforms to the 12 definition in [section 4].
- 13 (23)(24) "Package" means a container or wrapping in
 14 which a consumer commodity is enclosed for use in the
 15 delivery or display of that consumer commodity to retail
 16 purchasers but does not include:
- 17 (a) shipping containers or wrappings used solely for 18 the transportation of a consumer commodity in bulk or in 19 quantity to manufacturers, packers, or processors or to 20 wholesale or retail distributors:
- 21 (b) shipping containers or outer wrappings used by 22 retailers to ship or deliver a commodity to retail customers 23 if the containers and wrappings bear no printed matter 24 pertaining to a particular commodity.
- 25 (24)(25) "Person" includes an individual, partnership,

- l corporation, and association.
- 3 alone, in chemical combination, or in formulation with one
- 4 or more other substances is an "economic poison" under the
- 5 Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7
 - U.S.C., secs. 135-135k), as amended, and which is used in
- 7 the production, storage, or transportation of raw
- 8 agricultural commodities.

- 9 (26)(27) "Placard" means any nonpermanent sign used to
- 10 display or describe food items for sale in a food service
- 11 establishment or retail establishment.
- 12 (27)(28) "Principal display panel" means that part of a
- 13 label that is most likely to be displayed, presented, shown,
- or examined under normal and customary conditions of display
- 15 for retail sale.
- 16 (29) "Processing" means cooking, baking, heating,
- drying, mixing, grinding, churning, separating, extracting,
- 18 cutting, freezing, or otherwise manufacturing a food or
- 19 changing the physical characteristics of a food, and the
- 20 enclosure of such food in a package.
- 21 (20) "Raw agricultural commodity" means food in its
- 22 raw or natural state, including fruits that are washed,
- 23 colored, or otherwise treated in their unpeeled natural form
- 24 prior to marketing.
- 25 (29)(31) "Retail establishment" means a commercial

- 1 establishment at which meat or meat products are displayed
- for sale or provision to the public with or without charge.
- 3 (30)(32) "State board" or "board" means the board of
- 4 health and environmental sciences provided for in 2-15-2104.
- 5 (33) "Synthetically compounded" means a product
- 6 formulated by a process that chemically changes a material
- 7 or substance extracted from naturally occurring plant,
- 8 animal, or mineral sources, except for microbiological
- 9 processes."
- 10 Section 2. Section 50-31-203, MCA, is amended to read:
- 11 "50-31-203. When food misbranded. A food shall be
- 12 deemed to be misbranded if:
- 13 (1) its labeling is false or misleading in any
- 14 particular;
- 15 (2) it is offered for sale under the name of another
- 16 food;
- 17 (3) it is an imitation of another food for which a
- 18 definition and standard of identity has been prescribed by
- 19 regulations as provided by 50-31-201 or if it is an
- 20 imitation of another food that is not subject to subsection
- 21 (7) of this section, unless its label bears in type of
- 22 uniform size and prominence the word imitation and,
- 23 immediately thereafter, the name of the food imitated;
- 24 (4) its container is so made, formed, or filled as to
- 25 be misleading;

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1 (5) in package form, unless it bears a label containing:

- (a) the name and place of business of the manufacturer, packer, or distributor;
- (b) an accurate statement of the quantity of the contents in terms of weight, measure, or numerical count; provided that reasonable variations shall be permitted and exemptions as to small packages shall be established by regulations prescribed by the department;
- (6) any word, statement, or other information required by or under authority of this chapter to appear on the label or labeling is not prominently placed thereon with such conspicuousness (as compared with other words, statements, designs, or devices in the labeling) and in such terms as to render it likely to be read and understood by the ordinary individual under customary conditions of purchase and use;
- (7) it purports to be or is represented as a food for which a definition and standard of identity have been prescribed by regulations as provided by 50-31-201, unless:
 - (a) it conforms to such definition and standard; and
- (b) its label bears the name of the food specified in the definition and standard and, insofar as may be required by such regulations, the common names of optional ingredients (other than spices, flavoring, and coloring) present in such food;

- (8) it purports to be or is represented as:
- 2 (a) a food for which a standard of quality has been
 3 prescribed by regulations as provided by 50-31-201 and its
 4 quality falls below such standard, unless its label bears,
 5 in such manner and form as such regulations specify, a
 6 statement that it falls below such standard; or
 - (b) a food for which a standard or standards of fill of container have been prescribed by regulation as provided by 50-31-201 and it falls below the standard of fill of container applicable, unless its label bears, in such manner and form as such regulations specify, a statement that it falls below such standard;
 - (9) it is not subject to the provisions of subsection(7) of this section unless it bears labeling clearly giving:
- 15 (a) the common or usual name of the food, if any there
 16 be; and
 - (b) in case it is fabricated from two or more ingredients, the common or usual name of each such ingredient; except that spices, flavorings, and colorings, other than those sold as such, may be designated as spices, flavorings, and colorings without naming each; provided that to the extent that compliance with the requirements of subsection (9)(b) is impractical or results in deception or unfair competition, exemptions shall be established by regulations promulgated by the department; and provided

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further that the requirements of subsection (9)(b) shall not 1 2 apply to food products which are packaged at the direction 3 of purchasers at retail at the time of sale, the ingredients of which are disclosed to the purchasers by other means in 5 accordance with regulations promulgated by the department: (10) it purports to be or is represented for special 6 7 dietary uses, unless its label bears such information 8 concerning its vitamin, mineral, and other dietarv properties as the department determines to be and by 10 regulations prescribes as necessary in order to fully inform purchasers as to its value for such uses; 11

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- (11) it bears or contains any artificial flavoring, artificial coloring, or chemical preservative unless it bears labeling stating that fact; provided that the extent that compliance with the requirements of this subsection is impracticable, exemptions shall be established by regulations promulgated by the department. Butter, cheese, ice cream, and frozen desserts as defined in 81-22-101 shall be exempt from label statements for artificial flavoring and artificial coloring.
- (12) it is a product intended as an ingredient of another food and when used according to the directions of the purveyor will result in the final food product being adulterated or misbranded;
- 25 (13) it is a color additive, unless its packaging and

- 1 labeling are in conformity with such packaging and labeling
- 2 requirements applicable to such color additive prescribed
- 3 under the provisions of the federal act;
- 4 (14) it is labeled "organic", "organically grown",
- 5 "naturally grown", "ecologically grown", or "biologically
- 6 grown" but does not conform to the definition in [section
- 7 4]."
- 8 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Short title. [Sections 3
- 9 through 6] may be cited as the "Montana Truth in Labeling
- 10 Act for Organic Foods".
- 11 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Organic food defined. Organic
- 12 food is food that:
- 13 (1) was produced, harvested, cleaned, stored,
- 14 distributed, processed, and packaged without application of
- 15 synthetically compounded fertilizers, pesticides,
- 16 herbicides, fungicides, growth regulators, aromatic
- 17 petroleum solvents, diesel and other petroleum fractions, or
- other synthetically compounded substances, and without being
- 19 preserved by irradiation;
- 20 (2) was produced, harvested, cleaned, stored,
- 21 distributed, processed, and packaged with application of
- 22 only microorganisms, microbiological products, and materials
- 23 consisting of or derived or extracted solely from plant,
- 24 animal, or mineral-bearing rock substances, including but
- 25 not limited to Bordeaux mixtures and trace elements, soluble

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kelp, lime, sulfur, gypsum, dormant oils, summer oils, fish emulsion, soap, green manure, compost, and animal manures, and ascorbic acid, sodium ascorbate, calcium ascorbate, and citric acid used in processing:

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- 5 (3) contains no added coloring or synthetically compounded material: 6
- 7 (4) does not contain pesticide residue in excess of 8 10% of the level regarded as safe by the U.S. food and drug administration:
 - (5) in the case of perennial crops, was grown in fields to which no synthetically compounded substances were applied for 24 months before the appearance of flower buds and throughout the entire growing and harvesting season of the crop:
 - (6) in the case of annual crops and 2-year crops, was grown in fields to which no synthetically compounded substances or growth regulators were applied for 24 months before planting or transplanting and throughout the entire growing and harvesting season of the crop;
- (7) in the case of meat, poultry, or fish, was raised 20 21 for at least the final 60% of its life:
- (a) on food produced in conformity with subsection (5) 22 23 or (6);
- 24 (b) without the use of any chemical or drug to 25 stimulate or regulate growth or tenderness; and

- 1 (c) without any drug or antibiotic administered or introduced by injection or ingestion, except for treatment 3 of a specific disease or malady not less than 90 days before 4 the slaughter of such animal, bird, or fish; and
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 - NEW SECTION. Section 5. Requirements for labeling. (1) No claim or implication may be made in the labeling, advertising, or promotion of raw or processed food products. meat, fish, poultry, milk, eggs, or seeds that the food is organic, organically grown, naturally grown, ecologically grown, or biologically grown unless it conforms to the definition set forth in [section 4].
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20 NEW SECTION. Section 6. Injunctive relief. Ιn 21 addition to the remedies provided in 50-31-509, any person 22 may bring an action in district court pursuant to this 23 section, and the district court has jurisdiction upon 24 hearing and for cause shown to grant a temporary or 25 permanent injunction restraining any person from violating

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any provision of [section 5]. In addition to the injunctive relief provided by this section, the court shall award attorney fees to the person bringing the action if he prevails.

NEW SECTION. Section 7. Codification instruction.

Sections 3 through 6 are intended to be codified as an

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9 apply to sections 3 through 6.

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- NEW SECTION. Section 8. Extension of authority. Any existing authority of the department of health and environmental sciences to make rules on the subject of the provisions of this act is extended to the provisions of this act.
- NEW SECTION. Section 9. Effective date -applicability. This act is effective January 1, 1986, and
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- 7 approval granted prior to the enactment of the Food
- 8 Additives Amendment of 1958, pursuant to the federal act,
- 9 the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 451, et
- seq.), or the Meat Inspection Act of March 4, 1907 (34 Stat.
- 11 1260), as amended and extended (21 U.S.C. 71, et seq.).
- 12 (15) "Food service establishment" means a restaurant,
- 13 catering vehicle, vending machine, delicatessen, fast-food
- 14 retailer, or any other place that serves food to the public
- 15 for consumption either at or away from the point of service,
- 16 and any facility operated by a governmental entity where
- 17 food is served.
- 18 (16) "Hamburger" or "ground beef" means ground fresh or
- 19 frozen beef or a combination of both fresh and frozen beef,
- 20 with or without the addition of suct, to which no water.
- 21 binders, or extenders are added. There are three grades of
- 22 hamburger or ground beef:
- 23 (a) "economy hamburger" or "economy ground beef" may
- 24 have a fat content no greater than the federal standard set
- 25 forth in 9 C.F.R. 319.15;

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- 1 (b) "regular hamburger" or "regular ground beef" may 2 have a fat content no greater than 21%;
- 3 (c) "extra lean hamburger" or "extra lean ground beef" 4 may have a fat content no greater than 18%.
- 5 (17) "Honey" means the nectar and saccharine exudations of plants gathered, modified, and stored in the comb by 6 7 honey bees; is levorotatory, contains not more than 25% of 8 water, not more than .25% of ash, and not more than 8% 9 sucrose.
- 10 (18) "Label" means a display of written, printed, or 11 graphic matter on the immediate container of an article. ("Immediate container" does not include package liners.) 12
- means labels and other written, 13 (19) "Labeling" printed, or graphic matter:
- 15 (a) on an article or its containers or wrappers;
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- (20) "Menu" means any list presented to the patron 17 18 which states the food items for sale in a food service 19 establishment.
- 20 (21) "New drug" means a drug, the composition of which 21 is such that:
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- (b) the drug, as a result of investigations to 2 determine its safety and effectiveness for use under the conditions prescribed, has become so recognized but which has not, otherwise than in the investigations, been used to a material extent or for a material time under conditions prescribed.
- 8 (22) "Official compendium" means the official United 9 States Pharmacopoeia, official National Formulary, or a 10 supplement to either of these.
- 11 (23) "Organic food" means food that conforms to the 12 definition in [section 4].
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- 17 (a) shipping containers or wrappings used solely for the transportation of a consumer commodity in bulk or in 18 quantity to manufacturers, packers, or processors or to 19 20 wholesale or retail distributors;
- (b) shipping containers or outer wrappings used by 21 22 retailers to ship or deliver a commodity to retail customers 23 if the containers and wrappings bear no printed matter pertaining to a particular commodity. 24
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- 1 corporation, and association.
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- 4 or more other substances is an "economic poison" under the
- 5 Pederal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7
 - U.S.C., secs. 135-135k), as amended, and which is used in
- 7 the production, storage, or transportation of raw
- 8 agricultural commodities.
- 9 (26)(27) "Placard" means any nonpermanent sign used to
- 10 display or describe food items for sale in a food service
- ll establishment or retail establishment.
- 12 +27+(28) "Principal display panel" means that part of a
- label that is most likely to be displayed, presented, shown,
- or examined under normal and customary conditions of display
- 15 for retail sale.

- 16 (29) "Processing" means cooking, baking, heating,
- drying, mixing, grinding, churning, separating, extracting,
- 18 cutting, freezing, or otherwise manufacturing a food or
- 19 changing the physical characteristics of a food, and the
- 20 enclosure of such food in a package.
- 21 (28)(30) "Raw agricultural commodity" means food in its
- 22 raw or natural state, including fruits that are washed,
- 23 colored, or otherwise treated in their unpeeled natural form
- 24 prior to marketing.
- 25 (29)(31) "Retail establishment" means a commercial

- 1 establishment at which meat or meat products are displayed
- 2 for sale or provision to the public with or without charge.
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- 4 health and environmental sciences provided for in 2-15-2104.
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- formulated by a process that chemically changes a material
- 7 or substance extracted from naturally occurring plant,
- 8 animal, or mineral sources, except for microbiological
- 9 processes."
- 10 Section 2. Section 50-31-203, MCA, is amended to read:
- 11 "50-31-203. When food misbranded. A food shall be
- 12 deemed to be misbranded if:
- 13 (1) its labeling is false or misleading in any
- 14 particular;
- 15 (2) it is offered for sale under the name of another
- 16 food;
- 17 (3) it is an imitation of another food for which a
- 18 definition and standard of identity has been prescribed by
- 19 regulations as provided by 50-31-201 or if it is an
- 20 imitation of another food that is not subject to subsection
- 21 (7) of this section, unless its label bears in type of
- 22 uniform size and prominence the word imitation and,
- 23 immediately thereafter, the name of the food imitated;
- 24 (4) its container is so made, formed, or filled as to
- 25 be misleading;

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- 1 (5) in package form, unless it bears a label
 2 containing:
- 3 (a) the name and place of business of the 4 manufacturer, packer, or distributor:

- (b) an accurate statement of the quantity of the contents in terms of weight, measure, or numerical count; provided that reasonable variations shall be permitted and exemptions as to small packages shall be established by regulations prescribed by the department;
- (6) any word, statement, or other information required by or under authority of this chapter to appear on the label or labeling is not prominently placed thereon with such conspicuousness (as compared with other words, statements, designs, or devices in the labeling) and in such terms as to render it likely to be read and understood by the ordinary individual under customary conditions of purchase and use;
- (7) it purports to be or is represented as a food for which a definition and standard of identity have been prescribed by regulations as provided by 50-31-201, unless:
 - (a) it conforms to such definition and standard; and
- (b) its label bears the name of the food specified in the definition and standard and, insofar as may be required by such regulations, the common names of optional ingredients (other than spices, flavoring, and coloring) present in such food;

- (8) it purports to be or is represented as:
- (a) a food for which a standard of quality has been prescribed by regulations as provided by 50-31-201 and its quality falls below such standard, unless its label bears, in such manner and form as such regulations specify, a statement that it falls below such standard; or
- (b) a food for which a standard or standards of fill of container have been prescribed by regulation as provided by 50-31-201 and it falls below the standard of fill of container applicable, unless its label bears, in such manner and form as such regulations specify, a statement that it falls below such standard;
- (9) it is not subject to the provisions of subsection(7) of this section unless it bears labeling clearly giving:
- 15 (a) the common or usual name of the food, if any there
 16 be; and
 - (b) in case it is fabricated from two or more ingredients, the common or usual name of each such ingredient; except that spices, flavorings, and colorings, other than those sold as such, may be designated as spices, flavorings, and colorings without naming each; provided that to the extent that compliance with the requirements of subsection (9)(b) is impractical or results in deception or unfair competition, exemptions shall be established by regulations promulgated by the department; and provided

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further that the requirements of subsection (9)(b) shall not apply to food products which are packaged at the direction of purchasers at retail at the time of sale, the ingredients of which are disclosed to the purchasers by other means in accordance with regulations promulgated by the department;

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- (10) it purports to be or is represented for special dietary uses, unless its label bears such information concerning its vitamin, mineral, and other dietary properties as the department determines to be and by regulations prescribes as necessary in order to fully inform purchasers as to its value for such uses;
- (11) it bears or contains any artificial flavoring, artificial coloring, or chemical preservative unless it bears labeling stating that fact; provided that the extent that compliance with the requirements of this subsection is impracticable, exemptions shall be established by regulations promulgated by the department. Butter, cheese, ice cream, and frozen desserts as defined in 81-22-101 shall be exempt from label statements for artificial flavoring and artificial coloring.
- (12) it is a product intended as an ingredient of another food and when used according to the directions of the purveyor will result in the final food product being adulterated or misbranded;
- (13) it is a color additive, unless its packaging and

- labeling are in conformity with such packaging and labeling
- 2 requirements applicable to such color additive prescribed
- 3 under the provisions of the federal act;
- 4 (14) it is labeled "organic", "organically grown",
- 5 "naturally grown", "ecologically grown", or "biologically
- 6 grown" but does not conform to the definition in [section
- 7 41."

- 8 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Short title. [Sections 3
- 9 through 6] may be cited as the "Montana Truth in Labeling
- 10 Act for Organic Foods".
- 11 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Organic food defined. Organic
- 12 food is food that:
- (1) was produced, harvested, cleaned, stored.
- distributed, processed, and packaged without application of
- 15 synthetically compounded fertilizers, pesticides,
- 16 herbicides, fungicides, growth regulators, aromatic
- 17 petroleum solvents, diesel and other petroleum fractions, or
- 18 other synthetically compounded substances, and without being
 - preserved by irradiation;
- 20 (2) was produced, harvested, cleaned, stored,
- 21 distributed, processed, and packaged with application of
- 22 only microorganisms, microbiological products, and materials
- 23 consisting of or derived or extracted solely from plant,
- 24 animal, or mineral-bearing rock substances, including but
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kelp, lime, sulfur, gypsum, dormant oils, summer oils, fish 1 2 emulsion, soap, green manure, compost, and animal manures, and ascorbic acid, sodium ascorbate, calcium ascorbate, and citric acid used in processing:

- 5 (3) contains no added coloring or synthetically compounded material;
- 7 (4) does not contain pesticide residue in excess of 8 10% of the level regarded as safe by the U.S. food and drug 9 administration;
- (5) in the case of perennial crops, was grown in 10 11 fields to which no synthetically compounded substances were 12 applied for 24 months before the appearance of flower buds 13 and throughout the entire growing and harvesting season of 14 the crop:
- (6) in the case of annual crops and 2-year crops, was 15 grown in fields to which no synthetically compounded 16 17 substances or growth regulators were applied for 24 months before planting or transplanting and throughout the entire 18 19 growing and harvesting season of the crop;
- (7) in the case of meat, poultry, or fish, was raised 20 21 for at least the final 60% of its life:
- 22 (a) on food produced in conformity with subsection (5) 23 or (6);
- (b) without the use of any chemical or drug to 24 stimulate or regulate growth or tenderness; and 25

- (c) without any drug or antibiotic administered or 1 introduced by injection or ingestion, except for treatment 3 of a specific disease or malady not less than 90 days before the slaughter of such animal, bird, or fish; and
 - (8) in the case of milk or eggs, was produced by animals raised in accordance with subsection (7) except that no chemical, drug, or antibiotic was administered or introduced less than 30 days before the production of such milk or eags.
 - NEW SECTION. Section 5. Requirements for labeling. (1) No claim or implication may be made in the labeling, advertising, or promotion of raw or processed food products, meat, fish, poultry, milk, eggs, or seeds that the food is organic, organically grown, naturally grown, ecologically grown, or biologically grown unless it conforms to the definition set forth in (section 4).
- 17 (2) Packaged organic food must be labeled as follows, or with substantially similar language: "ORGANIC FOOD AS 18 DEFINED IN MONTANA LAW ([section 4], MCA)". 19
- relief. 20 NEW SECTION. Section 6. Injunctive Ιn addition to the remedies provided in 50-31-509, any person 21 22 may bring an action in district court pursuant to this section, and the district court has jurisdiction upon 23 hearing and for cause shown to grant a temporary or 24 permanent injunction restraining any person from violating

- 2 relief provided by this section, the court shall award
- 3 attorney fees to the person bringing the action if he
- 4 prevails.
- 5 NEW SECTION. Section 7. Codification instruction.
- 6 Sections 3 through 6 are intended to be codified as an
- 7 integral part of Title 50, chapter 31, and the provisions of
- B Title 50, chapter 31, parts 1, 2, and 5, except 50-31-506,
- 9 apply to sections 3 through 6.
- 10 NEW SECTION. Section 8. Extension of authority. Any
- ll existing authority of the department of health and
- 12 environmental sciences to make rules on the subject of the
- 13 provisions of this act is extended to the provisions of this
- 14 act.
- 15 NEW SECTION. Section 9. Effective date --
- 16 applicability. This act is effective January 1, 1986, and
- 17 applies to food products harvested or manufactured on or
- 18 after January 1, 1986.

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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 646
2	INTRODUCED BY RAPP-SYRCEK, JACOBSON,
3	HAGER, CRIPPEN, BERGENE, NATHE,
4	ERNST, B. BROWN, CONOVER, MERCER
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6	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT DEFINING "ORGANIC FOOD"
7	AND REQUIRING ACCURATE LABELING OF ORGANIC FOOD; PROVIDING
8	FOR REMEDIES; AMENDING SECTIONS 50-31-103 AND 50-31-203,
9	MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY
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12 .	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
13	Section 1. Section 50-31-103, MCA, is amended to read:
1.4	"50-31-103. Definitions. Unless the context requires
15	otherwise, in this chapter the following definitions apply:
16	(1) "Advertisement" means representations disseminated
17	in any manner or by any means, other than by labeling, for
.8	the purpose of inducing or which are likely to induce,
19	directly or indirectly, the purchase of food, drugs,
20	devices, or cosmetics.
21	(2) "Beef patty mix" means "hamburger" or "ground
22	beef" to which has been added binders or extenders as those
23	terms are understood by general custom and usage in the food
24	industry.
25	(3) "Color" includes black, white, and intermediate

3	(i) is a dye, pigment, or other substance made by a
4	process of synthesis or similar artifice or extracted,
5	isolated, or otherwise derived, with or without intermediate
6	or final change of identity, from a vegetable, animal,
7	mineral, or other source; or
8	(ii) when added or applied to a food, drug, or cosmetic
9	or to the human body is capable (alone or through reaction
10	with other substance) of imparting color thereto.
11	(b) This term does not include material which has been
12	or hereafter is exempted under the federal act.
13	(5) "Consumer commodity", except as otherwise
14	specifically provided by this subsection, means any food,
15	drug, device, or cosmetic as those terms are defined by this
16	chapter or by the federal act and regulations pursuant
17	thereto. The term does not include:
18	(a) any tobacco or tobacco product;
19	(b) a commodity subject to packaging or labeling
20	requirements imposed under the Federal Insecticide,
21	Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act or the provisions of the
22	eighth paragraph under the heading "Bureau of Animal
23	Industry" of the act of March 4, 1913 (37 Stat. 832-833; 21
24	U.S.C. 151-157), commonly known as the virus, serum, and

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(4) (a) "Color additive" means a material which:

- 1 (c) a drug subject to 50-31-306(1)(m) or 2 50-31-307(1)(c) or section 503(b)(1) or 506 of the federal 3 act;
- (d) a beverage subject to or complying with packaging or labeling requirements imposed under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act (27 U.S.C., et seq.); or
- (e) a commodity subject to the Federal Seed Act (7
 - (6) "Contaminated with filth" applies to a food, drug, device, or cosmetic not securely protected from dust, dirt, and, as far as may be necessary by all reasonable means, from foreign or injurious contaminations.
 - (7) "Cosmetic" means:

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- (a) articles intended to be rubbed, poured, sprinkled, sprayed on, introduced into, or otherwise applied to the human body for cleansing, beautifying, promoting attractiveness, or altering the appearance;
- (b) articles intended for use as a component of these articles, except that the term does not include soap.
- (B) "Counterfeit drug" means a drug, drug container, or drug label which, without authorization bears the trademark, trade name, or other identifying mark, imprint, or device or any likeness thereof of a drug manufacturer, processor, packer, or distributor other than the person who in fact manufactured, processed, packed, or distributed the

- drug and which falsely purports or is represented to be the
- 2 product of or to have been packed or distributed by the
- other drug manufacturer, processor, packer, or distributor.
- 4 (9) "Department" means the department of health and
- 5 environmental sciences provided for in Title 2, chapter 15,
- 6 part 21.
- 7 (10) "Device" (except when used in 50-31-107(2),
- 8 50-31-203(6), 50-31-306(1)(c) and (1)(q), 50-31-402(3), and
- 9 50-31-501(10)) means instruments, apparatus, and
- 10 contrivances, including their components, parts, and
- 11 accessories, intended:
- 12 (a) for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation,
- 13 treatment, or prevention of disease in man or other animals:
- 14 (b) to affect the structure or function of the body of
- 15 man or other animals.
- 16 (11) "Drug" means:
- 17 (a) articles recognized in the official United States
- 18 Pharmacopoeia, official National Formulary, or a supplement
- 19 to either of these;
- 20 (b) articles intended for use in the diagnosis, cure,
- 21 mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in man or
- 22 other animals:

- 23 (c) articles (other than food) intended to affect the
- 24 structure or function of the body of man or other animals;
 - (d) articles intended for use as components of any

- article specified in subsections (a), (b), or (c) but does
 not include devices or their components, parts, or
 accessories.
- 4 (12) "Federal act" means the Federal Food, Drug, and 5 Cosmetic Act, as amended (Title 21 U.S.C. 301, et seq.).
 - (13) "Food" means:
- 7 (a) articles used for food or drink for man or other 8 animals;
- 9 (b) chewing gum; and

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- (c) articles used for components of these articles.
 - (14) (a) "Food additive" means a substance, the intended use of which results or may be reasonably expected to result, directly or indirectly, in its becoming a component or otherwise affecting the characteristics of food (including a substance intended for use in producing, manufacturing, packing, processing, preparing, treating, packaging, transporting, or holding food and including a source of radiation intended for this use), if the substance is not generally recognized, among experts qualified by scientific training and experience to evaluate its safety, as having been adequately shown through scientific procedures (or, in the case of a substance used in a food prior to January 1, 1958, through either scientific procedures or experience based on common use in food) to be safe under the conditions of its intended use.

- (b) This term does not include:
- (i) a pesticide chemical in or on a raw agricultural commodity:
- 4 (ii) a pesticide chemical to the extent that it is 5 intended for use or is used in the production, storage, or 6 transportation of a raw agricultural commodity;
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25 immediately thereafter, the name of the food imitated;

- 1 (4) its container is so made, formed, or filled as to
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- 9 (b) a food for which a standard or standards of fill
 10 of container have been prescribed by regulation as provided
 11 by 50-31-201 and it falls below the standard of fill of
 12 container applicable, unless its label bears, in such manner
 13 and form as such regulations specify, a statement that it
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17	in any manner or by any means, other than by labeling, for
18	the purpose of inducing or which are likely to induce,
19	directly or indirectly, the purchase of food, drugs,
20	devices, or cosmetics.
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22	beef" to which has been added binders or extenders as those
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U.S.C. 151-157), commonly known as the virus, serum, and

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- (d) a beverage subject to or complying with packaging or labeling requirements imposed under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act (27 U.S.C., et seq.); or
- 7 (e) a commodity subject to the Federal Seed Act (7 8 U.S.C. 1551-1610).
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 10 device, or cosmetic not securely protected from dust, dirt,
 11 and, as far as may be necessary by all reasonable means,
 12 from foreign or injurious contaminations.
 - (7) "Cosmetic" means:

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- 14 (a) articles intended to be rubbed, poured, sprinkled,
 15 sprayed on, introduced into, or otherwise applied to the
 16 human body for cleansing, beautifying, promoting
 17 attractiveness, or altering the appearance;
 - (b) articles intended for use as a component of these articles, except that the term does not include soap.
 - (8) "Counterfeit drug" means a drug, drug container, or drug label which, without authorization bears the trademark, trade name, or other identifying mark, imprint, or device or any likeness thereof of a drug manufacturer, processor, packer, or distributor other than the person who in fact manufactured, processed, packed, or distributed the

- drug and which falsely purports or is represented to be the product of or to have been packed or distributed by the other drug manufacturer, processor, packer, or distributor.
- 4 (9) "Department" means the department of health and 5 environmental sciences provided for in Title 2, chapter 15, 6 part 21.
- 7 (10) "Device" (except when used in 50-31-107(2), 8 50-31-203(6), 50-31-306(1)(c) and (1)(q), 50-31-402(3), and 9 50-31-501(10)) means instruments, apparatus, and 10 contrivances, including their components, parts, and 11 accessories, intended:
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- 14 (b) to affect the structure or function of the body of
 15 man or other animals.
- 16 (11) "Drug" means:
- 17 (a) articles recognized in the official United States
 18 Pharmacopoeia, official National Formulary, or a supplement
 19 to either of these;
- 20 (b) articles intended for use in the diagnosis, cure,
 21 mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in man or
 22 other animals:
- 23 (c) articles (other than food) intended to affect the 24 structure or function of the body of man or other animals;
- 25 (d) articles intended for use as components of any

- article specified in subsections (a), (b), or (c) but does
 not include devices or their components, parts, or
- 3 accessories.

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- 4 (12) "Federal act" means the Federal Food, Drug, and 5 Cosmetic Act, as amended (Title 21 U.S.C. 301, et seg.).
- 6 (13) "Food" means:
- 7 (a) articles used for food or drink for man or other 8 animals:
- 9 (b) chewing gum; and
- 10 (c) articles used for components of these articles.
 - (14) (a) "Food additive" means a substance, the intended use of which results or may be reasonably expected to result, directly or indirectly, in its becoming a component or otherwise affecting the characteristics of food (including a substance intended for use in producing, manufacturing, packing, processing, preparing, treating, packaging, transporting, or holding food and including a source of radiation intended for this use), if the substance is not generally recognized, among experts qualified by scientific training and experience to evaluate its safety, as having been adequately shown through scientific procedures (or, in the case of a substance used in a food prior to January 1, 1958, through either scientific procedures or experience based on common use in food) to be

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- 2 (i) a pesticide chemical in or on a raw agricultural
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- 4 (ii) a pesticide chemical to the extent that it is 5 intended for use or is used in the production, storage, or 6 transportation of a raw agricultural commodity;
 - (iii) color additive;
- 8 (iv) substance used in accordance with a sanction or 9 approval granted prior to the enactment of the Food 10 Additives Amendment of 1958, pursuant to the federal act, 11 the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 451, et 12 seq.), or the Meat Inspection Act of March 4, 1907 (34 Stat. 13 1260), as amended and extended (21 U.S.C. 71, et seq.).
 - (15) "Food service establishment" means a restaurant, catering vehicle, vending machine, delicatessen, fast-food retailer, or any other place that serves food to the public for consumption either at or away from the point of service, and any facility operated by a governmental entity where food is served.
 - (16) "Hamburger" or "ground beef" means ground fresh or frozen beef or a combination of both fresh and frozen beef, with or without the addition of suet, to which no water, binders, or extenders are added. There are three grades of hamburger or ground beef:
- 25 (a) "economy hamburger" or "economy ground beef" may

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have a fat content no greater than the federal standard set
forth in 9 C.F.R. 319.15;

- 3 (b) "regular hamburger" or "regular ground beef" may
 4 have a fat content no greater than 21%;
- 5 (c) "extra lean hamburger" or "extra lean ground beef" 6 may have a fat content no greater than 18%.
- 7 (17) "Honey" means the nectar and saccharine exudations
 8 of plants gathered, modified, and stored in the comb by
 9 honey bees; is levorotatory, contains not more than 25% of
 10 water, not more than .25% of ash, and not more than 8%
 11 sucrose.
- 12 (18) "Label" means a display of written, printed, or
 13 graphic matter on the immediate container of an article.
 14 ("Immediate container" does not include package liners.)
- 15 (19) "Labeling" means labels and other written, 16 printed, or graphic matter:
 - (a) on an article or its containers or wrappers:
- 18 (b) accompanying the article.

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- 19 (20) "Menu" means any list presented to the patron
 20 which states the food items for sale in a food service
 21 establishment.
- 22 (21) "New drug" means a drug, the composition of which
 23 is such that:
- 24 (a) it is not generally recognized, among experts
 25 qualified by scientific training and experience to evaluate

- the safety and effectiveness of drugs, as safe and effective for use under the conditions prescribed, recommended, or
- 3 suggested in its labeling; or
- 4 (b) the drug, as a result of investigations to 5 determine its safety and effectiveness for use under the 6 conditions prescribed, has become so recognized but which
- 7 has not, otherwise than in the investigations, been used to
- 8 a material extent or for a material time under the
- 9 conditions prescribed.
- 10 (22) "Official compendium" means the official United
 11 States Pharmacopoeia, official National Formulary, or a
 12 supplement to either of these.
- 13 (23) "Organic food" means food that conforms to the
 14 definition in [section 4].
- 15 (23)(24) "Package" means a container or wrapping in 16 which a consumer commodity is enclosed for use in the 17 delivery or display of that consumer commodity to retail 18 purchasers but does not include:
- 19 (a) shipping containers or wrappings used solely for 20 the transportation of a consumer commodity in bulk or in 21 quantity to manufacturers, packers, or processors or to 22 wholesale or retail distributors;
- 23 (b) shipping containers or outer wrappings used by 24 retailers to ship or deliver a commodity to retail customers 25 if the containers and wrappings bear no printed matter

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- pertaining to a particular commodity.
- 3 corporation, and association.
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- 5 alone, in chemical combination, or in formulation with one
- or more other substances is an "economic poison" under the
- 7 Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7)
- B U.S.C., secs. 135-135k), as amended, and which is used in
- 9 the production, storage, or transportation of raw
- 10 agricultural commodities.
- 11 +26+(27) "Placard" means any nonpermanent sign used to
- 12 display or describe food items for sale in a food service
- 13 establishment or retail establishment.
- 14 (27)(28) "Principal display panel" means that part of a
- label that is most likely to be displayed, presented, shown,
- or examined under normal and customary conditions of display
- 17 for retail sale.
- 18 (29) "Processing" means cooking, baking, heating,
- drying, mixing, grinding, churning, separating, extracting,
- 20 cutting, freezing, or otherwise manufacturing a food or
- 21 changing the physical characteristics of a food, and the
- 22 enclosure of such food in a package.
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- 24 raw or natural state, including fruits that are washed,
- 25 colored, or otherwise treated in their unpeeled natural form

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- 2 (29)(31) "Retail establishment" means a commercial
- 3 establishment at which meat or meat products are displayed
 - for sale or provision to the public with or without charge.
- 5 (30)(32) "State board" or "board" means the board of
- 6 health and environmental sciences provided for in 2-15-2104.
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- 8 formulated by a process that chemically changes a material
- 9 or substance extracted from naturally occurring plant,
- 10 animal, or mineral sources, except for microbiological
- 11 processes."
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- 14 deemed to be misbranded if:
- 15 (1) its labeling is false or misleading in any
- 16 particular;
- 17 (2) it is offered for sale under the name of another
- 18 food;
- 19 (3) it is an imitation of another food for which a
- 20 definition and standard of identity has been prescribed by
- 21 regulations as provided by 50-31-201 or if it is an
- 22 imitation of another food that is not subject to subsection
- 23 (7) of this section, unless its label bears in type of
- 24 uniform size and prominence the word imitation and,
- 25 immediately thereafter, the name of the food imitated;

- (4) its container is so made, formed, or filled as to be misleading;
- 3 (5) in package form, unless it bears a label
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- (a) the name and place of business of the manufacturer, packer, or distributor;
 - (b) an accurate statement of the quantity of the contents in terms of weight, measure, or numerical count; provided that reasonable variations shall be permitted and exemptions as to small packages shall be established by regulations prescribed by the department;
 - (6) any word, statement, or other information required by or under authority of this chapter to appear on the label or labeling is not prominently placed thereon with such conspicuousness (as compared with other words, statements, designs, or devices in the labeling) and in such terms as to render it likely to be read and understood by the ordinary individual under customary conditions of purchase and use:
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- (a) it conforms to such definition and standard; and
- 23 (b) its label bears the name of the food specified in 24 the definition and standard and, insofar as may be required 25 by such regulations, the common names of optional

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 5 prescribed by regulations as provided by 50-31-201 and its
 6 quality falls below such standard, unless its label bears,
 7 in such manner and form as such regulations specify, a
 8 statement that it falls below such standard; or
- 9 (b) a food for which a standard or standards of fill
 10 of container have been prescribed by regulation as provided
 11 by 50-31-201 and it falls below the standard of fill of
 12 container applicable, unless its label bears, in such manner
 13 and form as such regulations specify, a statement that it
 14 falls below such standard;
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