

**SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
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S.F. No. 239

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
01/16/2025	97	Introduction and first reading
		Referred to Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development
03/17/2026	6686a	Comm report: To pass as amended
	6734	Second reading

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to agriculture; defining cell-cultured food; requiring food labels to identify

1.3 a product containing cell-cultured food; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections

1.4 31.01, by adding a subdivision; 31.12; 31.633; 34A.01, by adding a subdivision.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 31.01, is amended by adding a subdivision

1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 33. Cell-cultured food. "Cell-cultured food" has the meaning given in section

1.9 34A.01, subdivision 1a.

1.10 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 31.12, is amended to read:

1.11 **31.12 LABELING.**

1.12 (a) For the purpose of preventing fraud and deception in the manufacture, use, sale, and

1.13 transportation of food, or for the purpose of protecting and preserving the public health, it

1.14 shall be the duty of the commissioner, by rulings not inconsistent with law, to require that

1.15 any article of food, or the package, receptacle, or container thereof, before it be sold,

1.16 transported, used, offered for sale or transportation, or had in possession with intent to use,

1.17 sell or transport within this state, shall be labeled, stamped, stenciled, marked, or branded

1.18 in such manner as to plainly exhibit to the purchaser any or all of the following data or

1.19 information: The percentages and true composition of such food article, its quality, strength,

1.20 quantity, source of its manufacture or production or the person by or for whom the same is

1.21 manufactured, produced, packed, or shipped. The commissioner shall also have authority

1.22 to prescribe by such rulings the date on which the same shall take effect and be in force,

2.1 and also the form, size, style, and wording of, and the place, time, method, means and
 2.2 manner of use of all such labels, stamps, stencils, brands, and markings, which rulings shall
 2.3 be made in the manner provided by law. Until such rulings are made and in effect the rulings
 2.4 heretofore made by the commissioner shall remain in full force and effect, except as otherwise
 2.5 prescribed by law. Any person who shall fail to comply with such ruling or rulings shall be
 2.6 guilty of a misdemeanor.

2.7 (b) If a product contains cell-cultured food, a statement must be labeled, stamped,
 2.8 stenciled, marked, or branded in such a manner as to plainly exhibit to the purchaser on the
 2.9 package that the food contains cell-cultured food.

2.10 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 31.633, is amended to read:

2.11 **31.633 MEAT OR POULTRY SUBSTITUTES; INDICATION ON MENU;**
 2.12 **PENALTIES.**

2.13 Subdivision 1. ~~Menu requirement~~ Meat or poultry substitutes. Any restaurant, eating
 2.14 place, or other establishment serving meat or poultry in any form to the public that has any
 2.15 filler or meat or poultry substitute added to it or incorporated in it, shall clearly and
 2.16 prominently indicate on its menu or bill of fare the meat entrees that contain filler or meat
 2.17 or poultry substitutes.

2.18 Subd. 3. Cell-cultured food. Any restaurant, eating place, or other establishment serving
 2.19 cell-cultured food to the public must clearly and prominently indicate on its menu or bill
 2.20 of fare the menu items that contain cell-cultured food.

2.21 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 34A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to
 2.22 read:

2.23 Subd. 1a. Cell-cultured food. "Cell-cultured food" means a food grown from animal
 2.24 or plant cells in a controlled environment.