A Sampling of Nationwide GMO Labeling Initiatives

Already in 2013, bills have been introduced in nearly half of U.S. states to require labeling or prohibit genetically engineered foods.

Here is a sampling of those efforts – which include Maine's **LD 718**, "An Act to Protect Maine Food Consumers' Right to Know about Genetically Engineered Food and Seed Stock." (See **www.mofga.org**)



Alaska



HJR.5 opposes commercialization of GM salmon, requests further

testing of GM salmon and proposes a label if commercialization is approved.

Introduced January 28, 2013

Arizona



SB.1180 considers any food that is made entirely or partially from GE

ingredients and is not labeled as such – or is implied to be all natural – as misbranded.

Introduced January 24, 2013

Indiana



HB.1196 provides that any food offered for sale is misbranded if the food was produced

with GE ingredients and the use of GE ingredients is not disclosed. Such food may not be labeled as or implied to be natural.

Introduced January 10, 2013

New Hampshire



HB.660 requires labeling of GM

foods and agricultural commodities.

Introduced January 3, 2013

New Jersey



AB.2955/ SB.1367 requires labeling of foods containing GM material.

Introduced February 6, 2013

New York



AB.3525 provides for labeling of food and food

products that contain or are produced with GM material, imposes penalties for false labels and misbranding, and sets exemptions.

Introduced January 28, 2013

Oregon



HB.2175 makes foods containing or produced

using GM materials subject to labeling requirements and declares that such foods that do not conform to those requirements are misbranded. *Introduced January 13, 2013*

Tennessee



SB.894 provides for labeling of GE foods.

Introduced February 4, 2013

Vermont



HB.112 provides for labeling of GE foods.

Introduced January 29, 2013

Washington



SB.5073 provides for labeling of GE foods and prescribes penalties for violations.

Introduced January 17, 2013

GMO – genetically modified organism

GM – genetically modified

GE – genetically engineered

For a complete list of state initiatives, see www.centerforfoodsafety.org/issues/976/ge-food-labeling/state-labeling-initiatives