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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MILK LABELING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1   SECTION 1. Chapter 486, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

2 amended by adding a new section to part V to be appropriately

3 designated and to read as follows:

4   "§486-___ **Milk or soy milk labeling; date of pasteurization**

5 **or packaging.** (a) Any beverage product containing at least

6 _____ per cent by weight of milk or soy milk and distributed

7 or offered for sale in this state shall be labeled with the date

8 that the contents were:

9   (1) Pasteurized; or

10   (2) Packaged for distribution or sale, if no portion of

11   the beverage product has been pasteurized.

12 The label shall clearly indicate that the date specified

13 pursuant to this section refers to the date of pasteurization or

14 the date of packaging for distribution or sale, as applicable.

15   (b) For the purposes of this section:

16   "Milk" means all fresh milk or fresh milk constituents to

17 be utilized in fluid form for human consumption, including

18 pasteurized milk, cream, half-and-half, whole milk, skim milk,

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1   buttermilk, flavored milk, flavored skim milk, reconstituted or

2   recombined milk, and filled milk, as those terms are defined in

3   section 157-1.

4   "Pasteurized" means that the beverage product was processed

5   to produce "pasteurized milk," as that term is defined in

6   section 157-1.

7   "Soy milk" means a milk-substitute beverage produced from

8   ground soybeans."

9   SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

10   SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect one year from the

11   date of its approval.

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