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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT allowing the sale of freeze dried foods produced in homestead food operations.

SPONSORS: Rep. Schamberg, Merr. 6; Rep. J. Aron, Sull. 4

COMMITTEE: Environment and Agriculture

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires the licensing of homestead food operations processing and selling freeze dried foods.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]  
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five*

AN ACT allowing the sale of freeze dried foods produced in homestead food operations.

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1 193:1 Homestead Food; License Required. Amend RSA 143-A:12, IV to read as follows:

2 IV. ***Homestead food operations processing and selling freeze dried foods, from the homestead***  
3 ***residence, at the owner's own farm stand, at farmers' markets, or at retail food stores shall be licensed***  
4 ***under RSA 143-A:4. For the purposes of this section, freeze dried foods means fruits, vegetables, and***  
5 ***commercially prepared dairy products.***

6 V.(a) All homestead food products sold in packages from the home or farm stand of a homestead  
7 food operation shall have one of the following individual labels on each package containing the following  
8 information:

9 (1) Name, physical or e-mail address, and phone number of the homestead food  
10 operation; name of the homestead food product; the ingredients of the homestead product, in descending  
11 order of predominance by weight; and allergy information.

12 (2) Name, physical or e-mail address, and phone number of the homestead food  
13 operation; name of the homestead food product; allergy information as established in rules; and a QR  
14 code or website where the ingredients of the homestead product, in descending order of predominance by  
15 weight, are listed and must be accompanied by a physical sign at the display location where the  
16 ingredients of the homestead product, in descending order of predominance by weight are listed.

17 (b) All homestead food products sold in packages from farmers' markets or to restaurants or  
18 other retail food establishments, over the Internet, by mail order, or to wholesalers, brokers, or other food  
19 distributors who will resell the homestead product shall have individual labels on each package containing  
20 the following information: name, physical or e-mail address, and phone number of the homestead food  
21 operation; name of the homestead food product; the ingredients of the homestead product, in descending  
22 order of predominance by weight; and allergy information.

23 (c)(1) Products made by homestead food operations exempt from licensure shall also be  
24 clearly labeled with the following statement: "This product is exempt from New Hampshire licensing and  
25 inspection."

26 (2) Products made by nonexempt homestead food operations shall also be clearly  
27 labeled with the following statement: "This product is made in a residential food production area licensed  
28 by the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services."

29 193:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 120 days after its passage.

Approved: July 15, 2025  
Effective Date: November 12, 2025

