

HB 307 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **307**

AN ACT relative to the food production area for homestead food.

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COMMITTEE: Environment and Agriculture

ANALYSIS

This bill allows homestead food production in a food production area.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five

AN ACT relative to the food production area for homestead food.

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

1 1 Homestead Food Operation; Definition. Amend RSA 143-A:12, I(a) to read as follows:

2 (a) "Homestead food operation" means a person who produces homestead food products,
3 excluding potentially hazardous food, only in the home kitchen of that person's primary residence in
4 New Hampshire ***or a food production area in the person's primary residence that meets the***
5 ***water supply and sanitary requirements established in rules adopted under RSA 541-A.***

6 2 Homestead Food Production Area. Amend RSA 143-A:12, IV to read as follows:

7 IV. All homestead food products sold in packages from the home [~~kitchen~~,] ***or*** farm stand of
8 a homestead food operation, at farmers' markets, or at retail food stores shall have individual labels
9 on each package containing the following information: name, address, and phone number of the
10 homestead food operation; name of the homestead food product; the ingredients of the homestead
11 product, in descending order of predominance by weight; and allergy information. Products made by
12 homestead food operations exempt from licensure shall also be clearly labeled with the following
13 statement: "This product is exempt from New Hampshire licensing and inspection." Products made
14 by nonexempt homestead food operations shall also be clearly labeled with the following statement:
15 "This product is made in a residential [~~kitchen~~] ***food production area*** licensed by the New
16 Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services."

17 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.