

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 336

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHEXNAYDER

AGRICULTURE: Adds certain prohibitions relative to fraud by vendors or by the purchaser in the sale of certain food

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 3:4617(C), relative to fraud by vendors or by purchasers in the  
3 area of the Louisiana Weights and Measurements Law; to prohibit the  
4 misrepresentation of the origin of fruit, vegetable, grain, meat, and fish, including  
5 shellfish; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 3:4617(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §4617. Fraud by vendors or by purchaser

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10 C. No one shall misrepresent the name, origin, or type of any fruit,  
11 vegetable, grain, meat, shellfish, or fish, including catfish, sold, or offered or  
12 exposed for sale, to any actual or prospective consumer. "Catfish" shall mean only  
13 those species within the family of Ictaluridae, Ariidae or Loricariidae.

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**DIGEST**

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HB 336 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Adds the origin of certain foods and shellfish to the list of items that may not be misrepresented when being sold, or offered or exposed for sale, to any actual or prospective consumer.

Present law prohibits the misrepresentation of the name, or type of any fruit, vegetable, grain, meat, or fish, including catfish, sold, or offered for sale, to any actual or prospective consumer.

Proposed law adds the origin of certain foods and shellfish to the list of items that may not be misrepresented when being sold, or offered or exposed for sale to any actual or prospective consumer.

(Amends R.S. 3:4617(C))