

114TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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To amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to provide for voluntary country of origin labeling for beef and pork.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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\_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. VOLUNTARY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN LABELING**

4 **FOR BEEF AND PORK.**

5 Section 282(a) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of  
6 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1638a(a)) is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “subsection  
8 (b)” and inserting “subsections (b) and (c)”;

9 (2) in paragraph (2)—

1 (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking  
2 “BEEF, LAMB, PORK,”; and inserting “LAMB,”;  
3 and

4 (B) in subparagraphs (A) through (D), by  
5 striking “beef, lamb, pork,” each place it ap-  
6 pears and inserting “lamb,”;

7 (3) by redesignating subsections (c) through (f)  
8 as subsections (d) through (g), respectively; and  
9 (4) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
10 lowing:

11 “(c) VOLUNTARY DESIGNATION OF COUNTRY OF OR-  
12 IGIN FOR BEEF AND PORK.—

13 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A retailer of a covered  
14 commodity that is beef or pork is not required to in-  
15 form consumers of the country of origin of the cov-  
16 ered commodity under subsection (a) (other than  
17 ground beef and ground pork under paragraph  
18 (2)(E) of that subsection).

19 “(2) VOLUNTARY DESIGNATION.—As deter-  
20 mined by the Secretary, a retailer of a covered com-  
21 modity that is beef or pork may voluntarily des-  
22 ignate the covered commodity as exclusively having  
23 United States country of origin only if the beef or  
24 pork meets the requirements of clauses (i), (ii), and  
25 (iii) of subsection (a)(2)(A).”.