



HOUSE OF COMMONS

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To move the following Clause—

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“Labelling scheme for the informed purchase of environmentally sustainable food

- (1) The Secretary of State must by regulations make provision for a scheme requiring food manufacturers to label foods offered for sale in the United Kingdom to indicate the environmental sustainability of their origins.
- (2) The scheme in subsection (1) must make provision for a kitemark indicating the environmentally sustainable origins of a food.
- (3) The kitemark may be applied to—
 - (a) raw food commodities,
 - (b) processed food products, and
 - (c) the ingredients of processed food products.
- (4) Food labelling under the scheme must include a declaration about food miles, which is defined as the distance travelled from the country, or in the case of domestically produced food the region, of origin.
- (5) The declaration in subsection (4) must be given in words and numbers, but may also be presented using graphical forms or symbols provided that the graphical forms or symbols meet the following requirements—
 - (a) they are based on scientifically valid consumer research and do not mislead the consumer as referred to in Article 7 of the retained Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council as amended in the Food (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019;
 - (b) their development is the result of consultation with a wide range of stakeholder groups;
 - (c) they aim to facilitate consumer understanding of the contribution or importance of the environmental impact of the food;
 - (d) they are supported by scientifically valid evidence showing that such forms of presentation are understood by the average consumer;
 - (e) they are objective and non-discriminatory; and
 - (f) their application does not create obstacles to the free movement of goods.
- (6) The scheme may recommend to food business operators the use of one or more additional forms of presentation of the environmental indications that they consider as best fulfilling the requirements laid down in paragraphs (a) to (f) of subsection (5).
- (7) The scheme may make provision for—
 - (a) enforcement, and
 - (b) civil sanctions in relation to labelling and use of the kitemark.
- (8) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative procedure.
- (9) The Secretary of State must lay before Parliament a draft statutory instrument containing the proposed scheme before the end of the period of one year beginning with the day this Act receives Royal Assent.”