First Regular Session - 2025

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 24

BY AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1	AN ACT
2	RELATING TO THE LABELING OF ALTERNATIVE ANIMAL PROTEIN PRODUCTS; AMENDING
3	TITLE 37, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW CHAPTER 16, TITLE 37,
4	IDAHO CODE, TO DEFINE TERMS, TO PROVIDE FOR LABELING REQUIREMENTS FOR
5	ALTERNATIVE ANIMAL PROTEINS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR PENALTIES; AND DECLAR-
5	ING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
7	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Title 37, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a <u>NEW CHAPTER</u>, to be known and designated as Chapter 16, Title 37, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

CHAPTER 16 ALTERNATIVE ANIMAL PROTEIN LABELING REOUIREMENTS

37-1601. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this chapter:

- (1) "Alternative animal proteins" means food products derived from animal sources other than traditional livestock production or wild game harvest and includes:
 - (a) "Lab-grown meat," "cultivated meat," or "cell-cultured meat," which means meat or meat products produced through cellular production by culturing animal cells outside of the animal's body; and
 - (b) "Insect protein," which means any protein derived from the body, larvae, eggs, or other parts of insects, processed or unprocessed, and intended for human consumption.
- (2) "Common name" means the generally recognized name of an insect species, such as "cricket," "mealworm," or "grasshopper."
 - (3) "Meat" means the edible flesh of an animal.
- 37-1602. LABELING REQUIREMENTS FOR ALTERNATIVE ANIMAL PROTEINS. (1) Any alternative animal protein product sold, distributed, or offered for sale within the state of Idaho shall include on the front of its package, in clear and conspicuous text:
 - (a) For lab-grown meat products, the phrase "lab-grown meat," "cell-cultivated meat," or "cell-cultured meat."
 - (b) For insect protein products, the phrase "contains [common name of insect]," such as "contains crickets" or "contains mealworms."
 - (2) The labeling shall:
 - (a) Appear on the principal display panel of the packaging; and
 - (b) Use a font size and style that ensures legibility to an average consumer and is at least equal in prominence to the product name.
- (3) Restaurants or other vendors that offer for sale alternative animal proteins shall provide labeling on menus or equivalent notifications consistent with this section.

- 37-1603. INGREDIENT LIST REQUIREMENTS FOR INSECT PROTEIN PRODUCTS. In addition to front-of-package labeling, the ingredient list on all food products containing insect protein shall include:
 - (1) The common name of the insect species; and

- (2) The scientific name of the insect species in parentheses following the common name, such as, "cricket (Acheta domesticus)" or "mealworm (Tenebrio molitor)."
- 37-1604. REGULATORY OVERSIGHT. The Idaho department of agriculture shall have the authority to:
- (1) Promulgate rules, subject to legislative approval, to enforce the provisions of this chapter, including additional labeling standards if necessary; and
 - (2) Conduct inspections and investigations to ensure compliance.
- 37-1605. PENALTIES. (1) Any person found in violation of this chapter may be subject to a civil penalty by the Idaho department of agriculture of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) per violation.
- (2) Each improperly labeled package shall constitute a separate violation.
- (3) Additional penalties for repeat offenses may be established by the Idaho department of agriculture through rulemaking, subject to legislative approval.
- SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after July 1, 2025.