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A BILL

- 1 FOR AN ACT relating to agriculture; to provide for a standard for
- 2 honey, labeling restrictions, and an action under the
- 3 Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act as prescribed.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to

- 2 provide for an identity standard for packaged food products labeled
- 3 <u>as honey in order to aid consumer information and to protect the</u>
- 4 integrity of the honey industry in Nebraska.
- 5 (2) The Department of Agriculture shall adopt and
- 6 promulgate rules and regulations that adopt a standard for all honeys
- 7 produced by honey bees. In promulgating a standard for honey, the
- 8 <u>department may utilize as a guideline available authoritative</u>
- 9 references to the composition and grades of honey. Such rules and
- 10 regulations shall be effective on or before January 1, 2012.
- 11 (3) A product shall not be labeled as honey or be labeled
- 12 <u>as to imply that the product is honey unless the product meets the</u>
- 13 standard for honey adopted by the Department of Agriculture under
- 14 subsection (2) of this section.
- 15 (4) A violation of subsection (3) of this section shall
- 16 constitute a deceptive trade practice under the Uniform Deceptive
- 17 Trade Practices Act and shall be subject to any remedies or penalties
- 18 <u>available for a violation under the act.</u>