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IN ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to establishing the Shop: Pride of New York program for wholesale and retail sellers of food and food products produced in New York state

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. The agriculture and markets law is amended by adding a new 2 section 156-j to read as follows:

3 S 156-J. SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK. 1. DEFINITIONS. AS USED IN THIS 4 SECTION, THE FOLLOWING TERMS SHALL MEAN:

5 (A) "NEW YORK PRODUCT" MEANS (I) NEW YORK STATE GROWN FARM PRODUCT 6 PACKED WITHIN THIS STATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OFFICIAL STANDARDS ESTAB-7 LISHED AS PROVIDED BY THIS ARTICLE, ARTICLE THIRTEEN, ARTICLE THIR-TEEN-A, ARTICLE THIRTEEN-B, ARTICLE THIRTEEN-C AND ARTICLE THIRTEEN-D OF 8 THIS CHAPTER OR ANY NEW YORK STATE PRODUCED OR LANDED AQUATIC 9 PRODUCT, 10 SUBJECT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES AND REGULATIONS TO BE PROMULGAT-11 ED BY THE COMMISSIONER; OR

12 (II) ANY NEW YORK STATE PROCESSED FOOD PRODUCT, MANUFACTURED WITHIN 13 THIS STATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OFFICIAL STANDARDS ESTABLISHED ΒY THE TO REGULATION, WHICH IS ESSENTIALLY COMPOSED OF 14 COMMISSIONER PURSUANT 15 NEW YORK STATE GROWN FARM PRODUCTS, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT WHENEVER THE COMMISSIONER DETERMINES, AFTER PUBLIC HEARING, THAT THE USE OF 16 INGREDI-ENTS NOT GROWN OR PRODUCED IN THIS STATE IS NECESSARY OR BENEFICIAL IN 17 18 MANUFACTURING A PARTICULAR PRODUCT BECAUSE SUCH INGREDIENTS ARE EITHER 19 NOT GROWN IN NEW YORK OR UNAVAILABLE IN SUFFICIENT QUANTITY OR AT A 20 REASONABLE PRICE TO ALLOW THE PRODUCT TO BE COMPOSED OF ONLY NEW YORK 21 GROWN FARM PRODUCTS, THE STANDARD FOR SUCH PRODUCT MAY AUTHORIZE STATE 22 THE INCLUSION OF INGREDIENTS NOT PRODUCED IN THIS STATE, EXCEPT THAT ΙN SHALL AN OFFICIAL BRAND OR MARK BE APPROVED FOR USE ON A FOOD 23 NO EVENT 24 PRODUCT UNLESS AT LEAST FIFTY-ONE PERCENT OF ITS CONTENT IS DERIVED FROM 25 NEW YORK STATE GROWN FARM PRODUCTS.

26 (B) "FOOD SELLER" MEANS ANY PERSON OR ENTITY REGULARLY ENGAGED IN THE 27 SALE OF FOOD AND/OR FOOD PRODUCTS.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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2. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL DESIGN, DETERMINE AND ADOPT AN OFFICIAL LOGO 1 2 FOR SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK FOOD SELLERS WHICH MAY BE DISPLAYED UPON THE 3 PREMISES OF FOOD SELLERS DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. SUCH 4 LOGO, WHEN ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSIONER, MAY BE REGISTERED AS A TRADEMARK IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE TWENTY-FOUR 5 6 OF THE GENERAL BUSINESS LAW OR ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW RELATING TO 7 THE REGISTRATION OF TRADEMARKS. SUCH TRADEMARK SHALL BE REGISTERED BY 8 THE SECRETARY OF STATE WITHOUT EXTRACTION OF ANY FEE THEREFOR. THE COMMISSIONER MAY, IN HIS OR HER DISCRETION, REGISTER SUCH MARK WITH THE 9 10 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND ANY OTHER STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY. 3. A RETAIL FOOD SELLER MAY APPLY TO THE COMMISSIONER TO HAVE ITS 11 BUSINESS DESIGNATED AS A SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK FOOD SELLER, IF SUCH 12 RETAIL FOOD SELLER SELLS OR OFFERS FOR SALE AT LEAST TWENTY DIFFERENT 13 FOODS AND/OR FOOD PRODUCTS THAT ARE NEW YORK PRODUCTS. EVERY APPLICANT 14 FOR DESIGNATION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL INCLUDE IN HIS OR HER 15 APPLICATION A LIST OF NEW YORK PRODUCTS SOLD ANNUALLY, THE NAMES OF THE 16 NEW YORK PRODUCT PRODUCERS FROM WHOM SUCH PRODUCTS WERE PURCHASED, AND A 17 ONE SENTENCE DESCRIPTION OF ITS BUSINESS. THE COMMISSIONER MAY, BASED 18 19 UPON THE PRODUCERS NAMED IN EACH APPLICATION, VERIFY THAT THE PRODUCTS SOLD BY THE APPLICANT ARE NEW YORK PRODUCTS. IF THE COMMISSIONER FINDS 20 21 THAT THE APPLICANT'S BUSINESS COMPLIES WITH THE STANDARDS ESTABLISHED IN THIS SUBDIVISION HE OR SHE SHALL DESIGNATE THE RETAIL FOOD SELLER AS A 22 SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK FOOD SELLER. APPLICANTS RECEIVING SUCH DESIG-23 NATION WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE 24

25 PROVIDED WITH OFFICIAL SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK ADVERTISING AND PROMO-26 TIONAL MATERIALS FREE OF CHARGE. THEREAFTER, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL 27 PROVIDE SUCH MATERIALS, AS HE OR SHE DEEMS NECESSARY, TO FULFILL THE 28 GOALS AND PURPOSES OF THE SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK PROGRAM.

29 4. A WHOLESALE FOOD SELLER MAY APPLY TO THE COMMISSIONER TO HAVE ITS 30 BUSINESS DESIGNATED AS A SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK WHOLESALER, IF SUCH WHOLESALE FOOD SELLER SELLS OR OFFERS FOR SALE SUCH QUANTITIES AND TYPES 31 32 OF FOODS AND/OR FOOD PRODUCTS THAT ARE NEW YORK PRODUCTS, AS SHALL BE 33 ESTABLISHED IN THE RULES OF THE DEPARTMENT. EVERY APPLICANT FOR DESIG-NATION PURSUANT TO THE SUBDIVISION SHALL INCLUDE IN HIS OR HER APPLICA-34 TION A LIST OF NEW YORK PRODUCTS SOLD ANNUALLY, THE NAMES OF THE NEW 35 YORK PRODUCT PRODUCERS FROM WHOM SUCH PRODUCTS WERE PURCHASED, AND A ONE 36 SENTENCE DESCRIPTION OF ITS BUSINESS. THE COMMISSIONER MAY, BASED UPON 37 THE PRODUCERS NAMED IN EACH APPLICATION, VERIFY THAT THE PRODUCTS SOLD 38 BY THE APPLICANT ARE NEW YORK PRODUCTS. IF THE COMMISSIONER FINDS THAT 39 40 THE APPLICANT COMPLIES WITH THE STANDARDS ESTABLISHED IN THIS SUBDIVI-SION, HE OR SHE SHALL DESIGNATE THE WHOLESALE FOOD SELLER AS A SHOP: 41 PRIDE OF NEW YORK WHOLESALER. APPLICANTS RECEIVING SUCH DESIGNATION 42 43 WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED WITH OFFICIAL SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONAL MATE-44 RIALS FREE OF CHARGE. THEREAFTER, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PROVIDE SUCH MATERIALS, AS HE OR SHE DEEMS NECESSARY, TO FULFILL THE GOALS AND 45 46 PURPOSES OF THE SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK PROGRAM. 47

48 5. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH, ON ITS DEPARTMENTAL INTERNET 49 WEBSITE, A LINK DEDICATED TO THE SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK PROGRAM. SUCH 50 LINK SHALL INCLUDE THE NAME, LOCATION AND HOURS OF OPERATION OF EACH SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK DESIGNATED FOOD SELLER, AND THE SINGLE SENTENCE 51 DESCRIPTION OF THE FOOD SELLER'S BUSINESS THAT WAS INCLUDED IN ITS 52 APPLICATION. FURTHERMORE, THE DEPARTMENT, IN COOPERATION WITH THE 53 54 DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE REGIONAL OFFICES OF SUCH 55 DEPARTMENT, SHALL ENGAGE IN THE PROMOTION OF SHOP: PRIDE OF NEW YORK 56 DESIGNATED FOOD SELLERS.

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6. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PROMULGATE SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS AS HE
 OR SHE DEEMS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.
 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-

4 ing the date on which it shall have become a law, provided, that, effec-5 tive immediately, any rules and regulations necessary to implement the 6 provisions of this act on its effective date are authorized and directed 7 to be promulgated on or before such date.