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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. RITCHIE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Agriculture

AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to the manufacturing and sale of imitation birch and walnut syrups and the branding and labeling of such syrups

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

Section 1. Section 203 of the agriculture and markets law is amended to read as follows:

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- S 203. Manufacture and sale of imitation maple, BIRCH OR WALNUT sugar and syrup prohibited. (A) 1. No person shall manufacture for sale, keep for sale, or offer or expose for sale, any sugar in imitation or semblance of maple sugar which is not pure maple sugar, nor any syrup in imitation or semblance of maple syrup, which is not pure maple syrup, nor shall any person manufacture, offer or expose for sale any sugar as and for maple sugar which is not pure maple sugar, nor any syrup as and for maple syrup which is not pure maple syrup.
- 2. For the purpose of this article the term "maple sugar" shall be deemed to mean sugar made from pure maple sap or pure maple syrup, and the term "maple syrup" shall be deemed to mean syrup made from pure maple sap.
 - (B) 1. NO PERSON SHALL MANUFACTURE FOR SALE, KEEP FOR SALE, OR OFFER OR EXPOSE FOR SALE, ANY SUGAR IN IMITATION OR SEMBLANCE OF BIRCH SUGAR WHICH IS NOT PURE BIRCH SUGAR, NOR ANY SYRUP IN IMITATION OR SEMBLANCE OF BIRCH SYRUP, WHICH IS NOT BIRCH SYRUP, NOR SHALL ANY PERSON MANUFACTURE, OFFER OR EXPOSE FOR SALE ANY SUGAR AS AND FOR BIRCH SUGAR WHICH IS NOT PURE BIRCH SUGAR, NOR ANY SYRUP AS AND FOR BIRCH SYRUP WHICH IS NOT PURE BIRCH SYRUP.
- 22 2. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS ARTICLE THE TERM "BIRCH SUGAR" SHALL BE 23 DEEMED TO MEAN SUGAR MADE FROM PURE BIRCH SAP OR PURE BIRCH SYRUP, AND

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

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- (C) 1. NO PERSON SHALL MANUFACTURE FOR SALE, KEEP FOR SALE, OR OFFER OR EXPOSE FOR SALE, ANY SUGAR IN IMITATION OR SEMBLANCE OF WALNUT SUGAR WHICH IS NOT PURE WALNUT SUGAR, NOR ANY SYRUP IN IMITATION OR SEMBLANCE OF WALNUT SYRUP, WHICH IS NOT PURE WALNUT SYRUP, NOR SHALL ANY PERSON MANUFACTURE, OFFER OR EXPOSE FOR SALE ANY SUGAR AS AND FOR WALNUT SUGAR WHICH IS NOT PURE WALNUT SUGAR, NOR ANY SYRUP AS AND FOR WALNUT SYRUP WHICH IS NOT WALNUT SYRUP.
- 2. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS ARTICLE THE TERM "WALNUT SUGAR" SHALL BE DEEMED TO MEAN SUGAR MADE FROM PURE WALNUT SAP OR PURE WALNUT SYRUP, AND THE TERM "WALNUT SYRUP" SHALL BE DEEMED TO MEAN SYRUP MADE FROM PURE WALNUT SAP.
- S 2. Section 204 of the agriculture and markets law is amended to read as follows:
- S 204. Branding and labeling of maple, BIRCH OR WALNUT sugar and syrup mixtures. No person shall manufacture, sell or expose for sale, any compound or mixture as and for sugar which shall be made up of maple, BIRCH OR WALNUT sugar mixed with any other sugar or any other substance without branding or labeling the said sugar with a statement giving the ingredients of which it is made up. No person shall manufacture, sell, expose for sale or offer for sale any compound or mixture as syrup which shall be made up of maple, BIRCH OR WALNUT syrup mixed with any other syrup or ingredient without branding or labeling said syrup with a statement giving the ingredients of which it is made up. This shall not be construed to apply to a syrup or syrups manufactured and sold for medicinal purposes only.
- 28 S 3. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall 29 have become a law.