STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

February 4, 2021

Introduced by M. of A. LUPARDO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Agriculture

AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to the manufacturing, sale, branding and labeling of beech sugar and beech syrup

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The section heading of section 203 of the agriculture and markets law, as amended by chapter 252 of the laws of 2015, is amended and a new subdivision (d) is added to read as follows:

Manufacture and sale of imitation maple, birch [~~or~~], walnut **or beech** sugar and syrup prohibited.

(d) 1. No person shall manufacture for sale, keep for sale, or offer or expose for sale, any sugar in imitation or semblance of beech sugar which is not pure beech sugar, nor any syrup in imitation or semblance of beech syrup, which is not pure beech syrup, nor shall any person manufacture, offer or expose for sale any sugar as and for beech sugar which is not pure beech sugar, nor any syrup as and for beech syrup which is not pure beech syrup.

2. For the purpose of this article the term "beech sugar" shall be deemed to mean sugar made from pure beech sap or pure beech syrup, and the term "beech syrup" shall be deemed to mean syrup made from pure beech sap.

§ 2. Section 204 of the agriculture and markets law, as amended by chapter 252 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

§ 204. Branding and labeling of maple, birch [~~or~~], walnut **or beech** 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 **or beech** 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

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

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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 **or beech** 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.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.