

SENATE BILL No. 1505

September 22, 2010, Introduced by Senator VAN WOERKOM and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Bioeconomy.

A bill to provide for the imposition of certain sanctions for falsely selling certain farm products.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. As used in this act, "farm product" means those plants
2 useful to human beings produced by agriculture and includes, but is
3 not limited to, forages and sod crops, grains and feed crops, field
4 crops, bees and bee products, berries, herbs, fruits, vegetables,
5 flowers, seeds, grasses, nursery stock, trees and tree products,
6 mushrooms, and other similar products, or any other product which
7 incorporates the use of food, feed, or fiber.

8 Sec. 2. A person shall not sell, offer for sale, or advertise
9 for sale a farm product that is designated, by sign or packaging,
10 as locally grown or produced unless the farm product is grown or

1 produced, respectively, 100 miles or less from the location of
2 sale. The prohibition contained in this section applies only to the
3 person actually selling, offering for sale, or advertising the farm
4 product as locally grown and does not apply to a producer who
5 supplied that farm product to the ultimate seller.

6 Sec. 3. A person that violates this act is responsible for a
7 state civil infraction and may be ordered to pay a civil fine of
8 not more than \$500.00.