

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 9387

To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ensure consumer choice by requiring truthful labeling of lab-created butter, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 22, 2026

Mr. WIED (for himself, Mr. RILEY of New York, Mr. VAN ORDEN, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. ROSE, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, and Mr. TIFFANY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Recognizing Engi-
5 neered Alternatives as Lab-Created Butter Act” or the
6 “REAL Butter Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ENSURING CONSUMER CHOICE BY REQUIRING**
2 **TRUTHFUL LABELING OF LAB-CREATED BUT-**
3 **TER.**

4 Section 403 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic
5 Act (21 U.S.C. 343) is amended by adding at the end the
6 following:

7 “(z)(1) If it is a synthesized butter product or con-
8 tains such a product and its label does not bear imme-
9 diately before the name of the product ‘lab-created butter’
10 or ‘contains lab-created butter’, respectively.

11 “(2) For purposes of this paragraph:

12 “(A) The term ‘synthesized butter product’
13 means a product that—

14 “(i) is marketed as butter, but utilizes
15 sources of milkfat that are synthesized through
16 non-agricultural processes; and

17 “(ii) fails to conform to the standard of
18 identity for butter specified in the Act of March
19 4, 1923 (42 Stat. 1500).

20 “(B) The term ‘butter’ has the meaning given
21 such term in the Act of March 4, 1923 (42 Stat.
22 1500).”.

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