

ACT 167

S.B. NO. 2584

A Bill for an Act Relating to Honey.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to ensure that honey products are recognized by the State as agricultural commodities.

SECTION 2. Chapter 147, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending the title of part I to read as follows:

**“PART I. FRESH FRUITS [~~AND~~], VEGETABLES,
NUTS, HONEY, AND COFFEE”**

SECTION 3. Section 147-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended as follows:

1. By adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted and to read:

““Raw unprocessed honey” means honey that has not been heated above one hundred twenty degrees Fahrenheit, or filtered through a fine screen of less than one-sixty-fourth inch mesh, or treated with diatomaceous earth, or in any other way that results in the loss of any natural constituent of honey, such as plant pollen and enzymes.”

2. By amending the definition of “agricultural commodity” to read:

““Agricultural commodity” means fresh fruits and fresh vegetables of every kind and character, whether or not frozen or packed in ice, whether produced in the [State] state or imported, nuts, and coffee, whether cherry^[5] or parchment, or green

beans, which have been produced in the [~~State;~~] state, and raw unprocessed honey, whether produced in the state or imported.”

SECTION 4. Chapter 147, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending the title of part II to read as follows:

**“PART II. EXPORTS: FRUITS, VEGETABLES,
NUTS, [~~AND~~] COFFEE, AND HONEY”**

SECTION 5. Section 147-21, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended as follows:

1. By adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted and to read:

““Raw unprocessed honey” means honey that has not been heated above one hundred twenty degrees Fahrenheit, or filtered through a fine screen of less than one-sixty-fourth inch mesh, or treated with diatomaceous earth, or in any other way that results in the loss of any natural constituent of honey, such as plant pollen and enzymes.”

2. By amending the definition of “agricultural commodity” to read:

““Agricultural commodity” means fruits, vegetable, nuts, [~~and~~] coffee[;], and raw unprocessed honey.”

SECTION 6. Section 147-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended:

1. By adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted and to read as follows:

““Processed honey” means honey that has been heated above one hundred twenty degrees Fahrenheit, or filtered through a fine screen of less than one-sixty-fourth inch mesh, or treated with diatomaceous earth, or in any other way that results in the loss of any natural constituent of honey, such as plant pollen and enzymes.”

2. By amending the definition of “food product” or “product” to read:

““Food product” or “product” means any and all fruits, vegetables, nuts, and coffee, or part or parts thereof, produced and processed within the [~~State,~~] state, any and all honey produced and processed within the state or imported, and also any and all fish and fishery products processed within the [~~State;~~] state.”

SECTION 7. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 12, 2008.)