

Does Prop 37 bar “natural” labeling of non-GM foods?

The first sentence of California's Proposition 37 sums up its essence: “California consumers have the right to know whether the foods they purchase were produced using genetic engineering”.

But San Francisco lawyer Michael Steel contends one of the provisions in the labeling initiative would impact foods that aren't even genetically modified. Section 110809.1, forbidding the labeling of certain defined foods as “natural” or bearing similar words, applies to “processed” foods.

The question is whether processed foods that are not genetically modified also are subject to the labeling prohibition titled “Misbranding of Genetically Engineered Foods as ‘Natural’”. As you would expect, lawyers don't agree on the answer.

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