

## Here we go again? Mandatory biotech food labeling initiative moves forward in Washington (state)

*The following is an excerpt.*

Not even a year after fighting a bruising and costly battle over the “[California Right to Know Genetically Engineered Food Act](#)” (Proposition 37), proponents and opponents of mandatory biotech food labeling are poised for a rematch in the state of [Washington](#). In February, the Secretary of State’s office [certified](#) ballot initiative I-522, The People’s Right to Know Genetically Engineered Food Act, and forwarded it to the legislature.

Under Washington law, the legislature can either enact it into law, reject it or refuse to act on it, or approve an amended initiative. If lawmakers don’t act on, it goes to a public vote in November. If the legislature alters it, then *both* the altered version and the original version go on the November ballot. The likeliest scenario is no legislative action, which puts I-522 in the voters’ hands.

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