

Illinois: State senate hears testimony on GE Labeling

The following is an edited excerpt.

A full house of over 250 people heard the first of three Illinois Senate subcommittee hearings on the labeling of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) in Normal, Illinois, on June 20th, 2013 at the Bone Student Center on the campus of Illinois State University.

The hearing was conducted by the Senate Sub-committee on Food Labeling, chaired by Sen. Dave Koehler (D-Peoria). Joining him on the sub-committee were Sen. Linda Holmes (D-Aurora), Sen. Michael Frerichs (D-Champaign), and Sen. Sam McCann (R-Jacksonville).

Illinois Senate bill SB1666, would require that GMO ingredients contained in food offered for retail sale in Illinois be labeled as “genetically engineered (GE).” In considering the labeling of GMOs, Illinois joins 26 other states that have recently introduced bills to either label or ban such ingredients in food.

Read the full story here: [Senate Sub-committee Hears Testimony on GMO Labeling](#)