

## Some organic brands oppose Washington state GMO labeling law

(Summary)

As residents in Washington State prepares to vote on I-522, its GMO-labeling initiative, money has been pouring into the campaign from prominent organizations both in support of or against the bill. The majority of the organizations who have donated in support of the bill are organic food manufacturers like Annie's or Nature's Path, but it was revealed recently that there are several organic food manufacturers who are donating to the opposition.

The Cornucopia Institute, a non profit organization advocating for sustainable and organic farming, released a new infographic in response to the recent revelation that the Grocery Manufacturer's Association was hiding certain donors. The new infographic includes a number of organic food manufacturers who oppose I-522, including Cascadian Farm and Plum Organics.

A number of new opponents to the GMO food labeling proposal were recently revealed following the release of their names by the Grocery Manufacturers Association (GMA), a national business lobbying organization. The GMA had been, apparently in violation of state election law, hiding the identity of its donors who had provided more than \$7.2 million to fight the *consumer's right to know* what is in their food. The disclosure came shortly after Washington's Attorney General Bob Ferguson filed a lawsuit demanding the GMA reveal the identity of its secret donors.

**Read the full, original story here: [“Unveiled: GMO Labeling Opponents Come Out of the Shadows”](#)**

### **Additional Resources:**

- [“G.M.A. sued in Washington over G.M.O. campaign,”](#) Food Business News
- [“Local farmers come down on both sides of I-522,”](#) The Columbian