

Northeastern states important GMO labeling battleground in 2014

In 2013, 26 states took up the issue of GMO labeling with various types of initiatives. Although none of them passed a bill without significant strings attached, GMO labeling advocates haven't given up yet. In fact, these advocates are eyeing Vermont and other Northeastern states as an important battleground, ensuring 2014 will see much action in the battle for GMO labeling.

"After being passed by the state's House of Representatives, in May, by a lopsided 107-39 vote, [Vermont's] H. 112 is set to go before the state's 30-member Senate shortly after it reconvenes on Jan. 7. A vote could come as early as February."

"We are expecting that a labeling bill will come out [of the legislature] and we know the governor wants it," says Falko Schilling, consumer protection advocate for Vermont Public Interest Research Group, a consumer and environmental advocacy group. "There seems to be pretty wide-spread support for it."

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- [Maine GMO labeling bill harmful to industry, not based on science](#), Bangor Daily News
- [Vermont: GMO labeling won't pass this year](#), Associated Press
- [Government should not be involved in GMO labeling](#), Real Food