

## Bill introduced in US Congress that would block mandatory GMO food labeling by states

State efforts to label genetically-modified food would be outlawed under a bill unveiled by a Kansas congressman Wednesday – a plan immediately criticized as a “legislative Hail Mary” that won’t pass.

The bill by Rep. Mike Pompeo, a Republican from Wichita, would also bar the Food and Drug Administration from labeling efforts, a move highly popular with consumers, and allow so-called “natural” foods to contain bio-engineered ingredients.

“Some of the campaigns in some of the states aren’t really to inform consumers but rather aimed at scaring them,” Pompeo said. “And so it’s my judgment and what this bill attempts to do is set a standard.” Pompeo called his bill the “Safe and Accurate Food Labeling Act.” Environmental and food safety advocates dubbed it the “DARK Act,” – which would deny Americans the right-to-know.

The bill would force the FDA to do a scientific review on new bio-engineered products. The FDA could then keep those products from the market, which it already has the authority to do.

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