

Food industry claim New York's GMO labeling bill would cost consumers

Legislation is pending before the state Legislature to require GMO labeling on all food products. Sound reasonable? Maybe, but not as proposed.

Supermarkets are restocked from multistate warehouses. If New York requires GMO labeling that is different from the rest of the country, then food warehouses will have to double-slot items: One slot for New York and another for the rest of the country. There is not enough space in any warehouse in the country to double-slot all the food items a typical supermarket carries.

The problem will be compounded if other states adopt different labelling bills. Will warehouses have to triple- or quadruple-slot items? What products will stores no longer be able to carry? What will this do to consumer prices? The need for a national standard is clear.

The state Legislature needs to remember that New York is not an island. We need the free flow of goods coming into New York at the lowest possible prices.

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