

Grocery Manufacturers Association seeks October hearing to block Vermont GMO labeling bill

Late last week lawyers for the Grocery Manufacturers Association asked a federal judge to shelve the state's GMO labeling law.

It's the latest turn in the challenge to Vermont's first-in-the-nation law, and responds to the Attorney General's call for the case to be thrown out.

"Our hope is that the court will schedule a hearing for oral arguments sometime in October or November," said Attorney General Bill Sorrell, D-Vermont.

"What they've done is try to pass through this in such a way that it gets resolved sooner rather than later," said Daniel Richardson, Vermont Bar Association president-elect.

Richardson says both sides benefit from a speedy resolution.

The state could be saved costly legal fees, while the Grocery Manufacturers' Association could be spared from the court of public opinion.

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