

## Food industry group appealing latest Vermont GMO labeling ruling

Grocery and food industry groups will appeal a recent federal court ruling that allowed Vermont's GMO labeling law to go into effect while a court challenge is being considered.

The Grocery Manufacturers Association and other trade groups said Wednesday they will appeal a ruling by U.S. District Court Judge Christina Reiss to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in New York. The groups will ask the court to halt the implementation of Vermont's GMO labeling law, which is scheduled to take effect in July 2016.

The trade groups — Grocery Manufacturers Association, Snack Food Association, International Dairy Foods Association and National Association of Manufacturers — did not outline their legal arguments. [Reiss' decision last month](#) indicated the trade group's arguments did not justify putting off implementation of the law.

"The court's opinion in denying our request to block the Vermont law opens the door to states creating mandatory labeling requirements based on pseudo-science and web-fed hysteria," said Pamela G. Bailey, president of GMA. "If this law is allowed to go into effect, it will disrupt food supply chains, confuse consumers and lead to higher food costs."

The law, [signed by Gov. Peter Shumlin last year](#), requires food manufacturers selling in Vermont to label products containing genetically engineered ingredients starting July 1, 2016.

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