Indiana state lawmaker introduces lab-grown meat labeling bill, citing need for food transparency

[Indiana] Rep. Terry Goodin, a Democrat from Austin, said he believes if someone grows meat in a laboratory petri dish, they should not call it meat on Indiana's store shelves....

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In November, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration <u>announced</u> an agreement to jointly oversee the lab-growing food process.

Eventually, a steak could go from the lab to a plate, which is why Goodin presented his <u>food-label bill</u> to a Statehouse committee [January 24].

"What this basically says is if you buy meat out of the grocery store cooler, it's going to be meat that's produced on a farm and not in a laboratory, or milk in the dairy section as well," Goodin said. The bill does not put the brakes on cultured meat production in Indiana.

"As a matter of fact, I encourage those companies to move to Indiana, create those kind of jobs in Indiana," Goodin said. "We want them to come here." Goodin added, "Just clarity, transparency is the basis of the bill."

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