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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1279

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5 By: Representative Lynch

## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS EGG MARKETING ACT OF  
10 1969; TO AUTHORIZE REPACKAGING OF EGGS BY A RETAILER  
11 IF CERTAIN CRITERIA IS MET; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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16 OF 1969; AND TO AUTHORIZE REPACKAGING OF  
17 EGGS BY A RETAILER IF CERTAIN CRITERIA  
18 IS MET.

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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-58-207(e), concerning prohibited acts  
23 under the Arkansas Egg Marketing Act of 1969, is amended to read as follows:

24 (e)(1) Except as provided in subdivision (e)(2) of this section, eggs  
25 ~~Eggs~~ in retail shall not be removed from the immediate container in which the  
26 eggs were received and placed into a different container by the retailer.

27 (2) Eggs in retail may be removed from the immediate container  
28 in which the eggs were received and placed into a different container by the  
29 retailer if:

30 (A) Eggs used to replace missing or broken eggs:

31 (i) Are of the same packer, as evidenced by the  
32 license number printed or stamped on the carton or container;

33 (ii) Are of the same grade and size, as evidenced by  
34 the label on the carton or container;

35 (iii) Have the same expiration date, lot code, or  
36 Julian date, as evidenced by the label or stamp on the carton or container;



1                   (iv) Are from the same brand, as evidenced by the  
2 label; and

3                   (v) Are visibly clean with no prominent stains,  
4 adhering dirt, debris, fecal matter, or other foreign material;

5                   (B) Eggs adjacent to eggs that have leaked into the carton  
6 or container and are in contact with the spilled egg content shall not be  
7 used as replacement eggs;

8                   (C) All repackaging and consolidation activities take  
9 place on clean, sanitized surfaces using safe and appropriate food  
10 preparation practices; and

11                   (D) The retailer has a written procedure for egg  
12 replacement of missing or broken eggs to train employees on the requirements  
13 of this section.

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