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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

September 23, 2009

Mr. Franken introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

A BILL

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1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
4 This Act may be cited as the “Household Product
5 Labeling Act of 2009”.
6 SEC. 2. LABELING REQUIREMENT FOR CERTAIN HOUSE-
7 HOLD PRODUCTS.
8 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:
(1) Consumer product.—The term “consumer product” has the meaning given the term in section 3 of the Consumer Product Safety Act (15 U.S.C. 2052).

(2) Covered products.—The term “covered products” consists of the following consumer products:

(A) Household cleaning products.
(B) Air fresheners and deodorizers.
(C) Floor and furniture polish.
(D) Dishwashing soap.
(E) Drain cleaners.
(F) Laundry detergent and dryer sheets.
(G) Epoxies.
(H) Paints or stains.
(I) Any other similar consumer product designated by the Consumer Product Safety Commission for purposes of this Act.

(3) Ingredients.—The term “ingredients”, with respect to a covered product, includes any fragrance, dye, or preservative, and any component of such fragrance, dye, or preservative, included in such product.

(4) Interstate commerce.—The term “interstate commerce” has the meaning given the term in

(5) LABEL.—The term “label” has the meaning given such term in such section 2.

(b) LABELING REQUIREMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Each covered product introduced or delivered for introduction into interstate commerce shall bear a label that states completely, accurately, and legibly all of the ingredients of such product.

(2) STANDARD LIST OF INGREDIENTS.—The Consumer Product Safety Commission shall prescribe in the rules required by subsection (d) a standardized list of the ingredients known to be included in covered products in order to ensure the uniform statement of ingredients on covered products in labels on covered products under this Act.

(c) ENFORCEMENT.—Beginning on the date that is 540 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, any covered product that is introduced or delivered for introduction into interstate commerce in violation of subsection (b) shall be treated as a misbranded hazardous substance within the meaning of section 2(p) of the Federal Hazardous Substances Act (15 U.S.C. 1261(p)).
(d) RULEMAKING.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Consumer Product Safety Commission shall prescribe rules to carry out this Act.