

HB 866 -- FARM-DIRECT GOODS

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This bill specifies that Missouri residents must have the right to sell directly to a buyer or purchase directly from a seller any farm-direct goods produced within this state. The seller of farm-direct goods must retain the right to choose whether or not the farm-direct goods and the sale of those goods must be subject to regulation by the state, any political subdivision of the state, or any state or local regulatory agency. Any seller of farm-direct goods not subject to regulation must, at the time of the direct sale, declare to the buyer via a sign, label on the package, or verbally that the farm-direct goods are not subject to regulation. The buyer of farm-direct goods must retain the responsibility to ensure the process of production of the farm-direct goods purchased meets the buyer's approval.

The state, any political subdivision of this state, and any state or local regulatory agency must not interfere or otherwise attempt to regulate the sale and purchase of farm-direct goods not subject to regulation under these provisions. However, nothing in these provisions can be construed to provide any civil or criminal immunity from liability for an intentional act or an act of gross negligence by a seller or buyer under these provisions which constitute a violation of any civil or criminal laws of this state.