

HB 1115 -- Commonsense Consumption Act

Sponsor: Dempsey

This bill prohibits civil lawsuits against manufacturers, distributors, and sellers of food for any claims arising out of weight gain, obesity, or other generally known conditions allegedly caused by or allegedly likely to result from long-term consumption of food. Exceptions to this prohibition are provided for certain violations of state and federal law. Rules for pleadings and the procedure for filing a lawsuit pursuant to an exception are set out.

The bill will become effective on January 1, 2005, and applies to all covered claims pending on or filed after that date.