

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
**DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION**

VIA: eRegulations system

April 13, 2023

Legislative Regulation Review Committee  
Attn: Committee Administrator  
Room 011, State Capitol  
Hartford, CT 06106

RE: Uniform Date Labeling for Foods (PR2022-008)

Dear Senator Maroney, Representative Klarides-Ditria, and Committee Members:

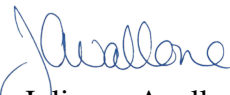
In accordance with section 4-170(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection hereby electronically submits to the Committee our above-referenced proposed regulation bearing the approval of the Attorney General as to legal sufficiency issued March 20, 2023. This submission to your Committee has been prepared in the format mandated by your Committee in rules issued on February 23, 2021.

The purpose of this regulation is to prescribe optional uniform date labeling that must be used whenever a packager elects to use date labeling on perishable and non-perishable foods. Open dating is intended for use and understanding by both distributors and consumers when judging food qualities whenever a packager voluntarily elects to use date labeling.

The Fiscal Note prepared in accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 4-168 has been available for review within the eRegulations system. This proposed regulation was properly posted to the eRegulations system, and a public comment period ran from September 2, 2022 through Friday, October 7, 2022 at 5:00pm. No public comments were received regarding this proposed regulation, so no Response to Comments document was drafted. A Notice of Decision was posted to the eRegulations system on October 13, 2022.

If you have any questions concerning this proposed regulation, please do not hesitate to call me at 860-713-6077. Thank you for your anticipated assistance and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Julianne Avallone  
Legal Director