# **University of Colorado Student Union**

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# Vegetarian Bill

### **BILL HISTORY**

UMC Catering Employees currently have no expedient method to determine what foods are vegetarian when serving food. Although unintentional, such a lack of information is often discriminatory. Furthermore, as there are many vegetarian students at the University of Colorado at Boulder, providing such information regularly shall be a great service to the student body.

## **BILL SUMMARY**

This Bill directs the UMC Board to institute policy requiring UMC Catering to label Vegetarian Foods as Vegetarian.

# THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the University of Colorado Student Union Legislative Council, THAT:

**Section 1:** The UMC Board is directed to institute policy requiring UMC Catering to either label Vegetarian Foods or to keep a list of vegetarian foods served on site of all catering jobs. <u>Foods</u> that are kosher shall also be listed.

**Section 2:** There shall be at least five (5) degrees of vegetarian that food shall be labeled. These degrees shall include: Lacto Vegetarian, Ovo Vegetarian, Lacto-Ovo Vegetarian, Pesco Vegetarian and Vegan.

# **Section 3:** Definitions:

*Rennet*: An enzyme used in the manufacture of cheese. Rennet may be of animal, microbial, or fungal origin but is commonly of animal origin.

Lacto Vegetarian: A degree of vegetarianism consisting of foods that contain no animal products other than milk based foods. Animal derived rennet shall be exempted. It is however encouraged to label when cheeses are used that contain only microbial or fungal derived rennet.

Ovo Vegetarian: A degree of vegetarianism consisting of foods that contain no animal products other than eggs.

Lacto-Ovo Vegetarian: A degree of vegetarianism consisting of foods that contain no animal products other than milk based foods and eggs. Animal derived rennet shall be exempted from this provision. It is however encouraged to label when cheeses are used that contain only microbial or fungal derived rennet.

*Pesco Vegetarian*: A degree of vegetarianism consisting of foods that contain no animal products other than seafood products.

*Vegan*: A degree of vegetarianism consisting of foods that contain no animal products. Honey may be exempted if the label displays vegan labeled foods containing honey.

**Section 4:** Such policy shall take effect no later than January 1, 2003 Common Era.

**Section 5:** Upon adoption, a copy of this bill shall be distributed to all members of the UMC Board.

**Section 6:** This bill takes effect upon adoption by the UCSU Legislative Council.

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