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HOUSE BILL 981

Short Title: Organic Products Certification.

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Sponsors: Representatives James; and Bowman.

Referred to: Agriculture.

April 19, 1993

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A VOLUNTARY PROGRAM FOR THE 3 CERTIFICATION OF ORGANICALLY PRODUCED AGRICULTURAL 4 PRODUCTS. 5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: Section 1. Part 3 of Article 1 of Chapter 106 of the General Statutes is 6 7 amended by adding a new section to read: "§ 106-22.3. Organic Production Program. 8 The Board of Agriculture may establish rules, standards, guidelines, and 9 (a) policies for the establishment and implementation of a voluntary program for the 10 certification of organically produced agricultural products. 11 The Commissioner of Agriculture may enter into agreements with the United 12 (b)

13 States Department of Agriculture and may apply for approval, accreditation,

14 certification, or similar authority as may be necessary to comply with the requirements

15 of the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990, Public Law 101-624."

16 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.