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I am not sure if am contacting the right department here but I need to voice my opinion on the proposed change in labelling laws due to be decided on May 29th by LEGCO.

I have now been here with my husband for nearly two years from the UK and one of the main factors that helped the transition to move here, was the fact that I could basically get any of the food items I use on a day to day basis the same as if I was in the UK. A big majority of them are low fat items, high fibre items as labelled in the UK, U.S, Australia and with the information given by these countries labelling laws, I feel well aware of making a uniformed decision as to whether it is exactly that! With the emphasis on us all being healthy (also being encouraged in Hong Kong) it seems you will actually be sending us backwards!

A big proportion of expats buy and use these foods on a daily basis and if this law is passed in Hong Kong, I think you will find that many will be addressing as to whether having their own choice's being taken away will warrant staying here for the long term? I for one, will be very annoyed as I like to have these items for my health and cannot imagine being without ? Besides, supermarkets will, I think, find their revenue drop dramatically too!

LEGCO really need to think seriously as to the implications of their actions should this bill be passed?

Regards

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