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Committee Secretary □
Senate Standing Committees on Rural & Regional Affairs &
Transport □
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Canberra ACT 2600

Re: Competition and Consumer Amendment (Australian Food Labelling) Bill 2012 (No. 2)

To the Committee Secretary:

This to express my support of Greens leader Christine Milne's Bill into the Senate to make the origins of our food transparent, and which should ensure we are all fully and fairly informed about the origins of food and food ingredients, on the labels.

Country of Origin Labelling is vital to the protection and promotion of this country's food supply and its producers.

As a consumer I am eager to buy from local growers and processors but am unable to rely on food labels with misleading claims about the origin of food ingredients and fresh produce. I believe it is imperative that where the food is GROWN is clearly labeled on all products. It is important that the packaging of the product is not included in the "Australian" content. This is totally misleading to the public as this does not convey the Australian content of what we are eating!

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Government and industry are committed to global free trade in food which can come from anywhere in the world and they allow labels to deceive us.

Sincerely

Jane Scammell