

1-1 By: Staples S.B. No. 1123  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 11, 2003; March 17, 2003, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Subcommittee on Agriculture;  
1-4 March 31, 2003, reported favorably to the Committee on Natural  
1-5 Resources by the following vote: Yeas 2, Nays 0; April 22, 2003,  
1-6 reported favorably from the Committee on Natural Resources by the  
1-7 following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; April 22, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the promotion and marketing of Texas products.  
1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
1-12 SECTION 1. Section 12.002, Agriculture Code, is amended to  
1-13 read as follows:  
1-14 Sec. 12.002. DEVELOPMENT OF AGRICULTURE. The department  
1-15 shall encourage the proper development and promotion of  
1-16 agriculture, horticulture, and other [related] industries that  
1-17 grow, process, or produce products in this state.  
1-18 SECTION 2. The heading of Section 12.0175, Agriculture  
1-19 Code, is amended to read as follows:  
1-20 Sec. 12.0175. GROWN OR PRODUCED IN TEXAS PROGRAM.  
1-21 SECTION 3. Subsections (a) and (b), Section 12.0175,  
1-22 Agriculture Code, are amended to read as follows:  
1-23 (a) The department by rule may establish programs [a  
1-24 program] to promote and market agricultural products and other  
1-25 products grown, [or] processed, or produced in the state [or  
1-26 products made from ingredients grown in the state].  
1-27 (b) The department may charge a membership fee, as provided  
1-28 by department rule, for each participant in a [the] program.  
1-29 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-30 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-31 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-32 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-33 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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