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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to the definition of a cottage food production operation. 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Section 437.001(2-b), Health and Safety Code, is 4 5 amended to read as follows: (2-b) "Cottage food production operation" means an 6 individual, operating out of the individual's home, who: 7 (A) produces at the individual's home, subject to 8 Section 437.0196: 9 (i) a baked good that is not a time and 10 temperature control for safety food, as defined by Section 11 12 437.0196; 13 (ii) candy; 14 (iii) coated and uncoated nuts; 15 (iv) unroasted nut butters; (v) fruit butters; 16 (vi) a canned jam or jelly; 17 18 (vii) a fruit pie; (viii) dehydrated fruit or vegetables, 19 20 including dried beans; 21 (ix) popcorn and popcorn snacks; 22 (x) cereal, including granola; 23 (xi) dry mix; 24 (xii) vinegar;

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1 (xiii) pickled fruit or vegetables, including beets and carrots, that are preserved in vinegar, brine, 2 3 or a similar solution at an equilibrium pH value of 4.6 or less; 4 (xiv) mustard; 5 (xv) roasted coffee or dry tea; (xvi) a dried herb or dried herb mix; 6 7 (xvii) plant-based acidified canned goods; 8 (xviii) fermented vegetable products, including products that are refrigerated to preserve quality; 9 10 (xix) frozen raw and uncut fruit or vegetables; or 11 (xx) any other food that is not a time and 12 temperature control for safety food, as defined by Section 13 14 437.0196; 15 (B) [has an annual gross income of \$50,000 16 less from the sale of food described by Paragraph (A); 17 [(C)] sells the foods produced under Paragraph (A) only directly to consumers; and 18 19 (C) [(D)] delivers products to the consumer at the point of sale or another location designated by the consumer. 20 21 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human 22 23 Services Commission shall adopt the rules necessary to implement 24 the change in law made by this Act. 25 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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