

## NATIONAL HEALTH FREEDOM ACTION

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## Tell Senator Amy Klobuchar To Refuse To Be the Lead Democrat on the DARK Act



**Tell Senator Amy Klobuchar to say NO** to the aggressive Big Food lobbying efforts attempting to get her to be the lead Democrat on a bill that gives the federal government the ability to **ban states from making laws that inform their consumers about the presence of genetically modified organisms in their foods.** Minnesota has the right to make laws to inform their consumers! Minnesotans deserve to know what is in their food! <u>Click Here</u> to send your message to Amy!

July 23rd, the US House of Representatives passed <u>H.R. 1599</u>, the so- called "Safe and Accurate Food Labeling Act," which bans states from making mandatory GMO Labeling laws. Now the bill is headed towards the Senate. Health freedom advocates call H.R. 1599 the DARK Act (Deny Americans the Right to Know). States have a right to protect its consumers, even when the federal government does not see fit to protect them. Three states have passed state GMO Labeling laws and right now Minnesota has H.F.351 with 18 Minnesota Cosponsors asking for GMO Labeling!

We need to tell Amy, her staff and the media that she needs to protect MN State and consumer rights to label GMOs! Tell her to say no to the DARK Act.

**From Organic Consumers Association:** "Will Sen. Klobuchar side with big agri- business/chemical companies, who have donated over \$500,000 to her campaign during the last election cycle, or with MN consumers who want to know if their food contains GMOs ? Time will tell. Either way, in order to be able to claim their bill is bipartisan, Monsanto and Big Food will need a Democratic Senator on their side. Why? Because in the Senate, where 60 votes, a three-fifths super-majority, are needed to cut off debate, avoid a filibuster and bring a bill to a vote, bipartisanship is essential.

Legislation doesn't move until consensus (or at least a little horse-trading) is achieved. Bills need support from both sides of the aisle.

Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.) is a member of Agriculture Committee, so she would be a strategic choice for lead Democratic cosponsor of a Senate version of the DARK Act. Sen. Klobuchar shot to the top of the list of suspects when the Grocery Manufacturers Association, Monsanto's main front group for DARK Act lobbying, began running television and radio ads in her home state of Minnesota." Organic Consumers Association (Click Here to Sign OCA Petition to Sen. Klobuchar). Click Here to send a direct message to your Senator and to Senator Klobuchar!

The urgency for the right to know of GMOs in our food is heightened as even our basic fruits are being genetically modified with the approval of the **first GMO apple on February 13, 2015**. Tell your legislators why you advocate for GMO-Labeling! Stand up for your right to make informed choices about your family's diet. Whether it includes no GMOs, a few GMOs, or all GMOs.

