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H. R. 5249

To require the Secretary of Agriculture to submit a report to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs on the use of a Federal standard of identity for olive oil, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 13, 2018

Mr. FASO (for himself, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. ARRINGTON, Mr. TAKANO, and Mr. RUPPERSBERGER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Olive Oil Consumer
5 Standards Act of 2018”.

1 **SEC. 2. OLIVE OIL FEDERAL STANDARD REPORT RE-**
2 **QUIRED.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agri-
5 culture, in consultation with persons affected by the poten-
6 tial establishment of a Federal standard of identity for
7 olive oil, shall submit to the Commissioner of Food and
8 Drugs a report on whether an appropriate Federal stand-
9 ard of identity for olive oil would be in the interest of con-
10 sumers, the olive oil industry, and United States agri-
11 culture.

12 (b) CONSIDERATION.—In preparing the report re-
13 quired under subsection (a), the Secretary shall take into
14 consideration the citizen petition entitled “Standard of
15 Identity for Olive Oil and Olive-Pomace Oil” filed with the
16 Food and Drug Administration on July 9, 2012 (and any
17 successor filings).

18 **SEC. 3. MEMBERSHIP IN THE INTERNATIONAL OLIVE**
19 **COUNCIL.**

20 Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-
21 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture, in consulta-
22 tion with the Secretary of State, shall take such steps as
23 may be necessary to apply for United States membership
24 in the International Olive Council.

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