

Natural Solutions Foundation 2009 Legislative Educational Agenda

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Pending Legislation Endorsed By Natural Solutions

As part of our efforts to educate decision makers, we review pending and proposed legislation here. Dr. Ron Paul (Tx-R), a staunch Congressional health freedom friend, introduced two important bills during July 2009 that, once passed, will rein in the excessive interference in advanced health products by both the FDA and FTC.

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HR 3395: The Health Freedom Act. This bill removes FDA's power of prior restraint over all nutrient-disease relationship claims. Currently the FDA can block even truthful information about the effects of foods (including dietary supplements and herbal remedies) on health conditions. **The Health Freedom Act** will restore constitutional limitations by protecting our First Amendment right to truthful information.

HR 3394: The Health Information Protection Act. This bill shifts the burden of proof onto the government when it charges nutrient advertisers with deceptive advertising. The Fifth Amendment requires that FTC bear the burden of proving advertising deceptive. The First Amendment requires that FTC not act against speech unless the speech is probably false. This bill reinforces these constitutional limits.

These bills go to the heart of the issue of valid health claims for nutrient products: how do companies substantiate the claims they are making? These bills apply Constitutional principles to the making of claims, which are a type of speech, and are therefore protected from excessive bureaucratic burden.

In *Thompson v. Western States Medical Center*, the US Supreme Court decided on April 29, 2002 - 535 U.S. 357 – “**If the First Amendment means anything, it means that regulating speech must be a last - not first - resort ...** We have previously rejected the notion that the Government has an interest in preventing the dissemination of truthful commercial information in order to prevent members of the public from making bad decisions with the information.”

Natural Solutions Draft Proposed Legislation

Our legal affairs advisors have drafted two pieces of proposed legislation regarding two of the issues that greatly concern Natural Solutions supporters.

HR ____: Protecting Americans Self Shielding Act. This bill would protect our right to Self-Shield by forbidding the use of Federal funds, materials and agents to involuntarily remove any American from their homes if they are self-shielding during a declared pandemic emergency.

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HR ____: No HARMonization Act. This bill would forbid the United States Codex Contact Point, the FDA and USDA to “HARMonize” our liberties with international restrictions. Codex Alimentarius (the so-called “World Food Code”) seeks to treat nutrients like industrial toxins while permitting toxins, GMO and barely-organic ingredients to degrade the food supply. With this bill Congress would declare the public policy of the United States to protect our access to wholesome (organic and natural) food, natural remedies and dietary supplements. **This bill is our answer to the martial law “Food Safety” (sic) bill, HR 2749 which just passed the House and must be stopped in the Senate!**

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