

HB421 INTRODUCED



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SYNOPSIS:

This bill would designate the Yellowhammer
Cookie as the official state cookie.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to state symbols; to designate the
Yellowhammer Cookie as the official state cookie.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) The Legislature finds all of the
following:

(1) Peanuts and pecans are crops of historical and
agricultural significance to the State of Alabama.

(2) The peanut was elevated to its current status by
landmark agricultural scientist George Washington Carver's
research at Tuskegee Institute, later renamed Tuskegee
University.

(3) In 2021, Alabama ranked 2nd in the nation in peanut
production when more than 1,000 Alabama farm families grew
over 622 million pounds of peanuts.

(4) The peanut is designated as the official state
legume of Alabama.



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29 (5) The pecan is native to the State of Alabama and has
30 been consumed in this region throughout human history.

31 (6) Alabama is one of only 15 states that produce
32 pecans, with more than 500 farmers dedicating over 8,000 acres
33 to pecan production.

34 (7) The pecan is designated as the official state nut
35 of Alabama.

36 (b) The Yellowhammer Cookie, which originated in
37 Montgomery, Alabama, and prominently features peanuts and
38 pecans, is designated as the official State Cookie of Alabama.

39 Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately
40 following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its
41 otherwise becoming law.