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Labelling of organic pet food

Proposal for a regulation
(COM(2022)0659 – C9-0396/2022 – 2022/0390(COD))

Amendment 17
Simone Schmiedtbauer

Proposal for a regulation
Recital -1 (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(-1) Acknowledging the fact that the pet food sector has a role to play in contributing to the European Green Deal objectives, and acknowledging that these new labelling measures and the uniform use of the EU organic logo will help to develop and promote the sector, both by selling products to consumers mindful of the organic content of what they buy, and through the opportunity to bring added value to organic by-products. The sector will thus be able to contribute, albeit moderately, to achieving an increase of EU agricultural land under organic farming by 2030, as intended by the Action Plan for the development of EU organic production.

Or. en

Amendment 18
Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation
Recital -1 (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(-1) Considering the objectives of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) of ensuring a fair income for farmers and responding to societal demands on food & health, the growing consumer demand for organic products is in opportunity for a further expansion of the pet food sector and for an increase in the returns of farmers engaged in organic production. The new labelling measures and the uniform use of the EU organic logo will

help to develop and promote the pet food sector, while appropriately informing final consumers and fostering opportunities for organic by-products.

Or. en

Amendment 19
Theresa Bielowski

Proposal for a regulation
Recital -1 (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(-1) The pet food sector has a role to play in contributing to the European Green Deal objectives. New labelling measures and the uniform use of the organic production logo of the European Union should help to develop and promote the pet food sector, both by selling products to consumers who are mindful of the organic content of what they buy, and through the opportunity to bring added value to organic by-products.

Or. en

Amendment 20
Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1) Regulation (EU) 2018/848 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁴ lays down rules on the labelling of *feed* and applies both to feed for food-producing animals and to feed for pets, i.e. pet food. Under that Regulation, *while* non-organic ingredients of agricultural origin *are* authorised *in the production* of organic feed, a term referring to organic production

(1) Regulation (EU) 2018/848 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁴ lays down rules on *organic production and* the labelling of *organic products* and applies both to feed for food-producing animals and to feed for pets, i.e. pet food. Under that Regulation, non-organic ingredients of agricultural origin *may be* authorised *for all types* of organic

cannot be used in the sales description where not all agricultural ingredients are organic, *even if to a low extent*. Moreover, such feed cannot bear the organic production logo of the European Union. Consequently, final consumers are not directly informed about the compliance of the product with organic production rules.

⁴ Regulation (EU) 2018/848 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2018 on organic production and labelling of organic products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 (OJ L 150, 14.6.2018, p. 1).

feed, *while* a term referring to organic production cannot be used in the sales description where not all agricultural ingredients are organic, *regardless of extent*. Moreover, such feed cannot bear the organic production logo of the European Union. Consequently, final consumers are not directly informed about the compliance of the product with organic production rules.

⁴ Regulation (EU) 2018/848 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2018 on organic production and labelling of organic products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 (OJ L 150, 14.6.2018, p. 1).

Or. en

Amendment 21

Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) Professional operators are informed about the composition and the proportion of organic, in-conversion and non-organic compounds *in* feed in accordance with point 2.1.2 of Annex III to Regulation (EU) 2018/848. By contrast, when feed is sold directly at retail level to final consumers, there are currently no rules concerning the provision of information on the organic compounds in the feed where not all of agricultural ingredients are organic. This is particularly relevant for pet food.

Amendment

(2) Professional operators are informed about the composition and the proportion of organic, in-conversion and non-organic **ingredients in** compounds feed in accordance with point 2.1.2 of Annex III to Regulation (EU) 2018/848. By contrast, when feed is sold directly at retail level to final consumers, there are currently no rules concerning the provision of information on the organic **ingredients in** compounds in the feed where not all of agricultural ingredients are organic. This is particularly relevant for pet food. **Final consumers should be appropriately informed about the composition of pet food containing both organic and non-organic agricultural ingredients, enabling consumers' confidence and fair competition between operators of the**

sector.

Or. en

Amendment 22

Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 4

Text proposed by the Commission

(4) The labelling rules for organic pet food at Union level should therefore mirror those for organic food, given that both categories of products are mainly sold at retail level to final consumers. ***Information on compliance with organic production rules should be provided through the terms referring to organic production in the sales description and through the use of the organic production logo of the European Union. In order to facilitate awareness about compliance with organic production rules, the organic production logo of the European Union should be obligatory for all prepacked pet food complying with Regulation (EU) 2018/848 and this Regulation and produced within the Union, as is the case with prepacked food pursuant to Article 32(1), point (b), of Regulation (EU) 2018/848.***

Amendment

(4) ***For the purposes of consumer information, consistency and transparency in the market, and to create adequate incentives for the use of organic ingredients, it should also be possible to refer under certain conditions to organic production in the sales description and in the list of ingredients of pet food.*** The labelling rules for organic pet food at Union level should therefore mirror those for organic food, given that both categories of products are mainly sold at retail level to final consumers.

Or. en

Amendment 23

Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(4 a) For this reason it is appropriate to provide labelling requirements for pet food which are specific within the

meaning of Article 2(5) of Regulation (EU) 2018/848. Provisions of Regulation (EU) 2018/848 which apply to feed, pet food being a feed for a specific category of animals, remain applicable, notably those on production, certification, control, marketing, trade with third countries.

Or. en

Amendment 24
Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 4 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(4 b) Information on compliance with organic production rules should be provided through the terms referring to organic production in the sales description, in the list of ingredients, and through the use of the organic production logo of the European Union. In order to facilitate awareness about compliance with organic production rules, the organic production logo of the European Union should be obligatory for all prepacked pet food complying with Regulation (EU) 2018/848 and this Regulation and produced within the Union, as is the case with prepacked food pursuant to Article 32(1), point (b), of Regulation (EU) 2018/848.

Or. en

Amendment 25
Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5) In order to promote the further development of the pet food sector, it is appropriate to introduce specific provisions on the labelling of organic pet food, on the use of terms referring to organic production in the sales description and in the list of ingredients, and on the use of the organic production logo of the European Union.

(5) In order to promote the further development of the pet food sector, it is appropriate to introduce specific provisions on the labelling of organic pet food, on the use of terms referring to organic production in the sales description and in the list of ingredients, and on the use of the organic production logo of the European Union. ***Special labelling provisions should also be laid down to allow final consumers to identify the organic ingredients that are used in products which consist mainly of an ingredient that stems from hunting or fishing.***

Or. en

Amendment 26
Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5 a) After Regulation 848/2018 entered into force on 1 January 2022, operators kept labelling pet food as organic in accordance with national rules or private standards due to the restricted availability under organic form of certain necessary agricultural ingredients, such as certain feed materials and feed additives to enhance palatability of pet food or to guarantee nutritional value. This Regulation will authorise the labelling of pet food as organic even if it contains some non-organic agricultural ingredients, or when the main ingredient is stemming from fishing or hunting. Therefore, it is appropriate to allow the exhaustion of stocks of products which have been labelled in accordance with those national rules or private standards accepted or recognised by the Member States in accordance with Article 95(5) of Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 between 1 January 2022 and ... (insert the date of

entry into force of this Regulation).

Or. en

Amendment 27
Theresa Bielowski

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5 a) Operators continued after 1 January 2022 to label pet food in accordance with national rules or private standards due to the restricted availability under organic form of certain necessary agricultural ingredients such as certain feed materials and feed additives to enhance palatability of pet food, or to guarantee nutritional value. This Regulation should authorise the labelling of pet food as organic even if it contains some non-organic agricultural ingredients, or where the main ingredient stems from fishing or hunting. Therefore, it is appropriate to allow the exhaustion of stocks of products which have been labelled in accordance with those national rules or private standards accepted or recognised by the Member States in accordance with Article 95(5) of Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 between 1 January 2022 and the date of the entry into force of this Regulation.

Or. en

Amendment 28
Anja Hazekamp

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5 a) Products that come from hunting or fishing of wild animals cannot be considered as organic products, and therefore this Regulation should not authorise the labelling of pet food as organic if the main ingredient stems from fishing or hunting.

Or. en

Amendment 29
Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 5 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5 b) It is appropriate to provide for a deferred date of application of the obligation to use the organic production logo of the European Union on the labelling of prepacked pet food in order to enable operators to prepare fully the application of the new labelling requirements.

Or. en

Amendment 30
Theresa Bielowski

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 5 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5 b) It is appropriate to provide for a deferred date of application of the obligation to use the organic production logo of the European Union on the labelling of prepacked pet food in order to enable operators to prepare fully for the application of the new labelling requirements.

Amendment 31**Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli****Proposal for a regulation****Article 1 – paragraph 1***Text proposed by the Commission*

This Regulation lays down specific labelling requirements for pet food produced in accordance with the rules concerning organic production provided in Regulation (EU) 2018/848.

Amendment

This Regulation lays down specific labelling requirements for pet food produced in accordance with the rules concerning organic production ***of feed*** provided in Regulation (EU) 2018/848 ***and constitutes other specific Union law relating to the placing of the products on the market for the purposes of Article 2(5) of that Regulation.***

Or. en

Amendment 32**Simone Schmiedtbauer****Proposal for a regulation****Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 1***Text proposed by the Commission*

1. ‘pet food’ means feed intended for pets as defined in Article 3(2), point (f), of Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁶;

Amendment

1. ‘pet food’ ***is feed within the meaning of Article 3, point (46), of Regulation (EU) 2018/848 and*** means feed intended for pets as defined in Article 3(2), point (f), of Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁶;

⁶ Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the placing on the market and use of feed, amending European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 and repealing Council Directive 79/373/EEC, Commission Directive 80/511/EEC, Council Directives

⁶ Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the placing on the market and use of feed, amending European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 and repealing Council Directive 79/373/EEC, Commission Directive 80/511/EEC, Council Directives

82/471/EEC, 83/228/EEC, 93/74/EEC, 93/113/EC and 96/25/EC and Commission Decision 2004/217/EC (Feed marketing Regulation) (OJ L 229, 1.9.2009, p. 1).

82/471/EEC, 83/228/EEC, 93/74/EEC, 93/113/EC and 96/25/EC and Commission Decision 2004/217/EC (Feed marketing Regulation) (OJ L 229, 1.9.2009, p. 1).

Or. en

Amendment 33

Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. ‘pet food’ means feed intended for pets as defined in Article 3(2), point (f), of Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁶;

⁶ Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the placing on the market and use of feed, amending European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 and repealing Council Directive 79/373/EEC, Commission Directive 80/511/EEC, Council Directives 82/471/EEC, 83/228/EEC, 93/74/EEC, 93/113/EC and 96/25/EC and Commission Decision 2004/217/EC (Feed marketing Regulation) (OJ L 229, 1.9.2009, p. 1).

Amendment

1. ‘pet food’ means feed, ***within the meaning of Article 3, point (46), of Regulation (EU) 2018/848, that is*** intended for pets as defined in Article 3(2), point (f), of Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁶;

⁶ Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the placing on the market and use of feed, amending European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 and repealing Council Directive 79/373/EEC, Commission Directive 80/511/EEC, Council Directives 82/471/EEC, 83/228/EEC, 93/74/EEC, 93/113/EC and 96/25/EC and Commission Decision 2004/217/EC (Feed marketing Regulation) (OJ L 229, 1.9.2009, p. 1).

Or. en

Amendment 34

Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 a (new)

1 a. For pet food containing ingredients stemming from hunting or fishing, the terms referred to in Article 30(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/848 may be used in the sales description and in the list of ingredients provided that:

(a) the main ingredient is a product of hunting or fishing;

(b) the term is clearly related in the sales description to an organic ingredient other than the main ingredient;

(c) all other agricultural ingredients are organic;

(d) only feed additives and processing aids authorised pursuant to Article 24 of Regulation (EU) 2018/848 are used in the processing of the pet food;

(e) the pet food complies with the detailed production rules set out in points 1.5, 2.1, 2.2, 2.4 in Part V of Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2018/848 and with the processing techniques laid down in accordance with Article 17(3) of that Regulation.

Or. en

**Amendment 35
Anja Hazekamp**

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1 a (new)**

1 a. This Regulation shall not authorise the labelling of pet food as organic if the main ingredient stems from fishing or hunting.

Or. en

Amendment 36
Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The list of ingredients referred to in **paragraph 1** shall indicate which ingredients are organic. The references to organic production may only appear in relation to the organic ingredients.

Amendment

2. The list of ingredients referred to in **paragraphs 1 and 1a** shall indicate which ingredients are organic. The references to organic production may only appear in relation to the organic ingredients.

Or. en

Amendment 37
Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The list of ingredients referred to in paragraph 1, point (b), shall include an indication of the total percentage of organic ingredients in proportion to the total quantity of agricultural ingredients.

Amendment

3. The list of ingredients referred to in paragraph 1, point (b), **and in paragraph 1a**, shall include an indication of the total percentage of organic ingredients in proportion to the total quantity of agricultural ingredients.

Or. en

Amendment 38
Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The terms referred to in Article 30(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/848 and the indication of the percentage referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article shall appear in the same colour, identical size and style of

Amendment

4. The terms referred to in Article 30(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/848 and the indication of the percentage referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article shall appear in the same colour, identical size and style of

lettering as the other indications in the list of ingredients referred to in **paragraph 1** of this Article.

lettering as the other indications in the list of ingredients referred to in **paragraphs 1 and 1a** of this Article.

Or. en

Amendment 39

Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. In the case of prepacked pet food **bearing a term** referred to in Article **30(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/848**, the organic production logo of the European Union shall appear on the packaging.

Amendment

2. In the case of prepacked pet food **complying with the conditions** referred to in Article **3(1)(a)**, the organic production logo of the European Union shall appear on the packaging.

Or. en

Amendment 40

Theresa Bielowski

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 4 a

Transitional measures

Organic pet food labelled in accordance with national rules or in the absence thereof, private standards accepted or recognised by the Member States in accordance with Article 95(5) of Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 between 1 January 2022 and [insert the date of the entry into force of this Regulation] may be placed on the market until stocks are exhausted.

Or. en

Amendment 41
Simone Schmiedtbauer

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 4 a

Transitional measures

Organic pet food labelled in accordance with national rules or in the absence thereof, private standards accepted or recognised by the Member States in accordance with Article 95(5) of Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 between 1 January 2022 and [insert the date of the entry into force of this Regulation] may be placed on the market until stocks are exhausted.

Or. en

Amendment 42
Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 4 a

Transitional measures

Organic pet food labelled in accordance with national rules or, in the absence thereof, private standards accepted or recognised by the Member States in accordance with Article 95(5) of Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 between 1 January 2022 and (the date of the entry into force of this Regulation) may be placed on the market until stocks are exhausted.

Amendment 43

Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

5 Entry into force

Amendment

5 Entry into force ***and application***

Or. en

Amendment 44

Theresa Bielowski

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Entry into force

Amendment

Entry into force ***and application***

Or. en

Amendment 45

Theresa Bielowski

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

***However, Article 4(2) shall apply from ...
[six months after the date of entry into
force of this Regulation].***

Or. en

Amendment 46

Hilde Vautmans, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

***However, Article 4(2) shall apply from
(date of entry into force of the new
legislative act + 6 months).***

Or. en

Amendment 47
Martin Hlaváček

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

***The pet food and prepacked pet food
available on the market prior the entry
into force of this Regulation and
complying with the conditions referred to
in Article 3(1)(a) can be sold until 6
months after entry into force of this
Regulation.***

Or. en