

**MAPLE SYRUP**  
**Act 280 of 1996**

AN ACT to set standards for certain syrup sold in the state of Michigan; to provide for certain powers for certain state agencies; to provide for issuance of certain seals or logos; and to provide for remedies and penalties.

**History:** 1996, Act 280, Eff. Mar. 31, 1997.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**289.531 Maple syrup in retail packages; sale, display, or intent to sell; conformance with federal standards.**

Sec. 1. A person shall not sell, offer or display for sale, or possess with intent to sell maple syrup in retail packages unless that syrup conforms to the United States standards for table maple sirup prescribed in 7 C.F.R. 52.5961 to 52.5967.

**History:** 1996, Act 280, Eff. Mar. 31, 1997.

**Compiler's note:** At the end of subsection (1), the word "sirup" evidently should read "syrup."

**289.532 Enforcement of act; issuance and use of seal of quality or other logo.**

Sec. 2. (1) The department of agriculture shall enforce this act in the same manner as the Michigan food law of 1968, Act No. 39 of the Public Acts of 1968, being sections 289.701 to 289.727 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(2) The department of agriculture may provide for the issuance of a seal of quality or other described logo for maple syrup meeting or exceeding the standards imposed in this act.

(3) If the department of agriculture provides for the issuance of a seal of quality or logo for maple syrup, use of the seal of quality or logo in a manner inconsistent with the use prescribed by the department of agriculture is considered a violation of this act.

**History:** 1996, Act 280, Eff. Mar. 31, 1997.

**289.533 Violation as misdemeanor; penalty.**

Sec. 3. A person who violates this act is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, a fine of not more than \$100.00, or both.

**History:** 1996, Act 280, Eff. Mar. 31, 1997.

**289.534 Injunctive relief.**

Sec. 4. In addition to the penalties otherwise provided in this act, the department of agriculture may apply to circuit court for injunctive relief restraining any person from violating this act, irrespective of whether an adequate remedy at law exists.

**History:** 1996, Act 280, Eff. Mar. 31, 1997.