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HOUSE BILL DRH40099-LG-32

Short Title: Adopt Official State Cookie. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Lambeth.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT ADOPTING THE MORAVIAN COOKIE AS THE OFFICIAL STATE COOKIE.  
3 Whereas, during the 18th century, settlers from the European kingdom of Moravia  
4 traveled to America and founded the town of Salem (now Winston-Salem) in North Carolina in  
5 1766; and  
6 Whereas, when the Moravians settled in North Carolina, they brought with them a  
7 spice cookie similar to the German Lebkuchen cookie; and  
8 Whereas, these thin spice cookies are known as Moravian cookies and made of  
9 ingredients such as molasses, allspice, and ginger; and  
10 Whereas, the Moravian cookie is one of the most popular cookies in North Carolina;  
11 and  
12 Whereas, Moravian cookies have been made and sold in Winston-Salem since the  
13 1950s and millions of pounds of cookies are baked, packaged, and distributed worldwide  
14 annually; and  
15 Whereas, sales of Moravian cookies promote tourism in the State and contribute to  
16 the State's economy; and  
17 Whereas, it is fitting to recognize the positive impact the Moravians have had on the  
18 State's culture by adopting the Moravian cookie as the official cookie of the State of North  
19 Carolina; Now, therefore,  
20 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
21 **SECTION 1.** Chapter 145 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new  
22 section to read:  
23 "**§ 145-52. Official State cookie.**  
24 The Moravian cookie is adopted as the official cookie of the State of North Carolina."  
25 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

