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Table 1. Raw Milk Legislation, 2012

Location	Bill	Description	Status	Session End	Comment
State					
Hawaii	HB 2076 SB 2417	A bill that would allow the consumption of raw milk from a hoofed animal as long as it is consumed by the owner of the particular hoofed animal that produces the milk.	1/20/2012 - (H) Introduced and passed first reading 1/20/2012 - (H) Referred to Committee on Health, Agriculture, and Economic Development 1/20/2012 - (H) Hearing scheduled for 1/24/2012 1/23/2012 - (S) Introduced and passed first reading 1/23/2012 - (S) Referred to Committee on Health and Agriculture 1/24/2012 - (H) Committee recommends that measure be deferred	3-May-12	
Indiana	SB 398	Allow a licensed milk producer with 20 or fewer cows to sell raw milk	Passed out of Senate Ag Committee on January 24, 2012. Since then, the Senate proponents have agreed to a study and have withdrawn this legislation.	14-Mar-12	

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Indiana	HB 1129	Require language that raw milk be labeled as "not for human consumption."	Passed House (84-7); signed by the Governor	14-Mar-12	Passed
Iowa	HB 585	Permit sales of raw milk on the farm directly to consumers or for targeted home delivery by producers without any regulation or oversight	In Judiciary Committee	17-Apr-12	No action
Kentucky	SB 47	Legalize "herdshares" without a state permit; create a new section of KRS Chapter 217C to allow for the sale of raw milk at a farm site.	Passed Senate (22-15); Referred to House Agriculture and Small Business Committee	29-Mar-12	No action

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Massachusetts	HO 1995	Would allow a licensed dairy to deliver raw milk off the farm	1/20/2011 - Filed in the House 2/25/2011 - Referred to Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture 2/25/2011 - Concurred in committee referral 6/2/2011 - Hearing scheduled for June 14 1/30/2012 - Reported favorably from Committee 2/12/2012 - Referred to House Committee on Ways and Means	Formal sessions, July 31; informal, no limit	Introduced in 2011

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Location	Bill	Description	Status	Session End	Comment
Massachusetts	HB 3273	A bill that would allow the personal use of raw milk to owners or part owners of cows or goats.	1/25/2011 - Filed in the House 3/15/2011 - Referred to Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources, and Agriculture and concurred in committee referral 6/2/2011 - Hearing scheduled for June 14 3/21/2012 - Accompanied by study order Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture	Formal sessions, July 31; informal, no limit	Introduced in 2011
Missouri	SB 841	A bill that would allow farmers in Missouri to sell up to 100 gallons of raw milk to consumers at farmers markets.	2/27/2012 - Introduced and read first time 3/1/2012 - Second reading and referred to Committee on Agriculture, Food Protection and Outdoor Resources 3/21/2012 - Hearing scheduled 3/21/2012 - Hearing cancelled 3/28/2012 - Hearing conducted		

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Location	Bill	Description	Status	Session End	Comment
New Hampshire	HB 1402	Allow the direct sale of raw milk products without requiring a milk producer-distributor license	Passed the Environmental and Agriculture Committee (13-0); Passed Health and Human Services Committee	7-Jun-12	
New Jersey	AB 743 S 2702 A 518 S 279	Permit sale of raw milk under certain conditions and establishes raw milk permit program	In Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee	8-Jan-13	Same bill passed the New Jersey Assembly in 2011; but then died in the Senate Commerce Committee later in 2011
New York	SB 777 and HB 5229	Allow sale of raw milk with a permit issued by the commissioner. Theproduction, packaging, transportation and sale of the milk shall be subject to the rules and regulations deemed necessary by the department. All milk shall be transported and sold in a bottle mechanically filled and capped and shall be labeled with a warning that the milk has not been pasteurized and a sign at the point of sale.	1/5/2011 - (S) Referred to the Committee on Agriculture 3/3/2011 - (H) Referred to Committee on Agriculture 1/4/2012 - (H) Referred to Committee on Agriculture 4/26/2012 - (H) Hearing scheduled 4/26/2012 - (H) Held by consideration by Committee	None	

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Location	Bill	Description	Status	Session End	Comment
Oklahoma	SB 1519	A bill that would allow the sale of Grade A raw milk at the farmlevel or at local farmers' markets directly to consumers.	2/6/2012 - Introduced and read the first time 2/7/2012 - Second reading and referred to Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development	31-May-12	
Wisconsin	SB 108	Allow the sale of unpasteurized milk products with the exemption from rules and licensing and permitting requirements for certain dairy farms	Failed to pass pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution	30-May-12	Defeated
Federal					
	H.R. 1830	Authorize the interstate traffic of unpasteurized milk and milk products packaged for direct human consumption	In House Committee on Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Health since May 13, 2011	3-Jan-13	Similar bills introduced previously by Ron Paul

Reference: International Dairy Foods Association http://www.idfa.org/files/resources/state-matrix-5-17-2012.pdf

Table 2. Raw Milk Legislation, 2010-2011

Location	Bill	Description	Status
California (Humbolt County)	O 512.4	Citizen request to rescind County Ordinance banning raw milk sales	Request denied by Board of Supervisors (5-0)
Connecticut	SB 836	A bill that would authorize a study of a herd sharing agreement	1/26/2011 - Referred to Joint Committee on Environment 2/9/2011 - Hearing held
Idaho	HB 431	Remove regulatory oversight of raw milk as enacted by the 2011 Legislature	Failed in the House Agricultural Affairs Committee
Illinois	SB 3977	Prohibit from sale or distribution at farmers' markets: raw milk or any dairy products made with raw milk; and ice cream made in an uninspected facility.	1/6/2011 - Filed and referred to Committee on Assignments

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Location	Bill	Description	Status
Iowa	HF 394	Would allow sale of raw milk and raw milk products on the farm and by delivery	Bill withdrawn from House
Maine	LD 366	Clarifies that a license is not required of any person who produces and sells milk only on the premises of the producer and seller	Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Committee: Majority vote Ought Not to Pass (80-70); In Senate
Minnesota	HF 255/SF 147	Would allow delivery of raw milk off the farm and sale at farmers' markets	In Agriculture and Rural Development Policy and Finance Committee
New Jersey	A-743/ S-2702	Would allow on-farm sale of raw milk and raw milk products (e.g., yogurt, kefir, butter and cheese) by a licensed dairy	Assembly bill passed (71-6); Referred to Senate Economic Growth Committee
Oregon	HB 2222	Would allow direct to consumer and retail sales of raw milk	In Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee

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Location	Bill	Description	Status
Tennessee	HB 0898/ SB 1639	Clarifies current cowshare statute to include dairy products made from raw milk	Taken Off Notice For Cal. in: Calendar & Rules Committee
Texas	HB 75/ SB 237	Would allow delivery of raw milk off the farm and sale at farmers' markets	In Public Health Committee
Vermont	S 105	"The Dairy Class" law would allow classes on how to make yogurt, cheese, and butter from raw milk; part of larger bill to make housekeeping changes to existing dairy law (Pages 15-16)	Signed by Governor Shumlin on May 19, 2011
Washington	SB 5648	Would allow on-farm sale of unlicensed, uninspected raw milk for dairies with no more than 2 cows, 9 goats, or 9 sheep	In Senate Agriculture & Rural Economic Development Committee

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Wyoming	HB 0017	Would allow cowshares and goatshares	Defeated in Committee (6-3)

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