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*Bill Analysis*  
*Legislative Service Commission*

## **H.B. 483**

126th General Assembly  
(As Introduced)

**Reps. Schlieter, Flowers, J. McGregor, Seitz, Yates**

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### **BILL SUMMARY**

- Adopts the tomato as the state fruit.

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### **CONTENT AND OPERATION**

The bill adopts as the state fruit *Lycopersicon esculentus*, commonly known as the tomato (R.C. 5.081).

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### **COMMENT**

Webster's New World Dictionary of the English Language, Third College Edition, defines "fruit" to mean the edible plant structure of a mature ovary of a flowering plant, usually eaten raw, and notes that many fruits which are not sweet, such as tomatoes, beans, green peppers, etc., are popularly called "vegetables."

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### **HISTORY**

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	01-24-06

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