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Submission to oppose A1193: Irradiation as a phytosanitary measure for all fresh fruit and vegetables.

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To whom it may concern,

I strongly oppose the irradiation of fresh fruit and vegetables as there has not been sufficient long term scientific studies to determine the impacts this may have on human health.

Chronic disease is a major public health issue in Australia and many studies have shown the benefit of a healthy diet containing high amounts of fresh fruit and vegetables in the reduction of multiple chronic diseases such as cardiovascular disease. Interfering with fresh fruits and vegetables through irradiation may alter these effects and until sufficient evidence shows otherwise I believe it is irresponsible to enact this measure.

Regards,

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