

FDA has issued Proposed Guidelines for the sprout industry. **They are accepting comments until December 13, 1999.**

The Proposed Guidelines Would:

Put <u>all</u> Certified Organic Sprout Growers out of business.
 Force all sprout growers to have in-house laboratories.
 <u>Not</u> make sprouts safer.

4) Make the annual dumping of over 26 Million Gallons of Bleach OK.5) Make it even harder to get good bacteria into your diet.

The New Guidelines Must:

- Create a safe source of seed intended specifically for human consumption.
 State that "Certified Organic Seed is considered an acceptable alternative approach to prevention of microbial hazards in sprouted seeds".
- **3)** Create a government certification that labels seed grown for human consumption as such (i.e. Grade A Beef) and make it mandatory that sprout growers use that government certified seed and/or certified organic seed.

A copy of the proposed Guidelines (A Guidance For Industry...") are nearby – look it over - or go to our website: http://www.sproutpeople.com/guidance.html

Our SOS homepage is at: http://www.sproutpeople.com/savesprouts.html

Call us for help (toll free) at: 877-SPROUTS or (not free) at: 608-735-4766

We have written a letter which you can just sign and send. If there isn't one here, call us or go to: http://www.sproutpeople.com/comment_letter.html