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Introduction and first reading

OFFICIAL STATUS

Referred to Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Legacy Finance

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to environment policy; authorizing cities to adopt certain pesticide control
- 1.3 ordinances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 18B.09, subdivision 2, by
- 1.4 adding a subdivision.
- 1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 18B.09, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- 1.7 Subd. 2. **Authority.** Statutory and home rule charter cities may enact an ordinance,
- 1.8 including their own licensing, penalty, and enforcement provisions, containing one or both
- 1.9 of the following:
- 1.10 (1) the pesticide application warning information contained in subdivision 3, including
- 1.11 their own licensing, penalty, and enforcement provisions; and
- 1.12 (2) the pesticide prohibition contained in subdivision 4.
- 1.13 Statutory and home rule charter cities may not enact an ordinance ~~that contains~~ more
- 1.14 restrictive ~~pesticide application warning information than is contained~~ that which is provided
- 1.15 in subdivision subdivisions 3 and 4.
- 1.16 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 18B.09, is amended by adding a subdivision to
- 1.17 read:
- 1.18 Subd. 4. **Application of certain pesticides prohibited.** (a) A person may not apply or
- 1.19 use a pollinator-lethal pesticide within the geographic boundaries of a city.

2.1 (b) For purposes of this subdivision, "pollinator-lethal pesticide" means a pesticide that
2.2 has a pollinator protection box on the label or labeling, or a pollinator, bee, or honey bee
2.3 precautionary statement in the environmental hazards section of the label or labeling.

2.4 (c) This subdivision does not apply to:

2.5 (1) pet care products used to mitigate fleas, mites, ticks, heartworms, or other animals
2.6 that are harmful to the health of a domesticated animal;

2.7 (2) personal care products used to mitigate lice and bedbugs; and

2.8 (3) indoor pest control products used to mitigate insects indoors, including ant bait.

2.9 (d) The commissioner must maintain a list of pollinator-lethal pesticides on the
2.10 department's website.