

SB-6

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IN THE SENATE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION BOYS NATION

Mr. Fasulo of California introduced the following bill;

A BILL

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Be it enacted by The American Legion Boys Nation Senate assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "SECTION 1. TEMPORARILY BANNING NEONICOTINOIDS

This Act may be cited as the "Know More Neonics Act".

SECTION 2. INTRO

(1) Any use of insecticides or pesticides containing clothianidin, imidacloprid, thiamethoxam, or acetamiprid on any field crops will not be permitted during an outlined time period that will be specifically determined after the bill is enacted.

(2) The temporary ban will cover every application method.

(2A) Including, but not limited to, application by aircraft, ground machine, or airborne spray.

SECTION 3. ACTION

(1) An allocation of \$900 million over a six(6) year period to fund research by the Center of Disease Control and enforcement by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

(2)A Federal oversight committee consisting of two representatives from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, two representatives from the United States Department of Agriculture, and two representatives from the Center of Disease Control.

(2A) Purpose is to convene bi-yearly and yield a report on progress or findings through the research that was done. This report will be submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency, Center of Disease Control, and a representative of the United States Senate in order to best judge the next steps after the ban is terminated.

(3)An allocation of \$200 million for the Farmer Incentive System.

(3A) Farmers who actively use neonicotinoids will be reimbursed half of what they spent on their neonicotinoid laced products in order to put money towards alternative insecticide options during the temporary ban and promote cooperation.

SECTION 4. ENFORCEMENT

(1) The enforcement of the temporary ban will be monitored and facilitated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency

(1A) The EPA will conduct Cancellation and Suspension Inspections if there is reasonable suspicion that one is illegally continuing the use of the outlawed neonicotinoids during the time frame of their ban.

(2) A three(3)-strike-system will be enforced on those who violate the temporary ban.

(2A) First time violators will receive a fine of \$250 per square acre of land that an insecticide containing neonicotinoids was applied.

(2B) Second time violators will receive a fine of \$500 per square acre of land that an insecticide containing neonicotinoids was applied.

(2C) Third time violators will receive a fine of \$1000 per square acre of land that an insecticide containing neonicotinoids was applied and a 180 day suspension of their state seller's permit.

SECTION 5. TIMELINE.

(1) This temporary ban will last for 6 years after the ban is first enacted.

(1A) ex. If enacted July 22nd, 2022 it will go into effect January, 22nd 2023.

(1B) After the 6 month leniency period the bill will into effect and the 6 year ban will ensue.