

General Assembly

February Session, 2024

Raised Bill No. 190

LCO No. **1656**

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF NEONICOTINOIDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (l) of section 22a-50 of the general statutes is
 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October* 1, 2024):

(l) (<u>1</u>) Not later than January 1, 2018, the commissioner shall classify
all neonicotinoids, as defined in section 22-61k, that are labeled for
treating plants, as restricted use pursuant to subdivision (2) of
subsection (c) of this section.

8 (2) On and after December 31, 2027, no person shall use any pesticide 9 that contains any neonicotinoid, as defined in section 22-61k, except that 10 such pesticide may be used: (1) By a licensed arborist or a licensed 11 ornamental plant applicator for the purpose of tree or ornamental plant 12 applications, (2) for indoor and structural applications by a licensed pesticide applicator if such pesticide is labeled for interior use or such 13 14 application is made within five feet of a building foundation perimeter 15 for the purpose of managing structural pests, (3) by a licensed applicator

- 16 for protection against ticks and mosquitos, (4) by a nursery, or (5) by a
- 17 golf course superintendent on a golf course.
- 18 (3) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may
- 19 assess a civil penalty of not more than two thousand five hundred
- 20 dollars to any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (2) of
- 21 <u>this subsection for each such violation.</u>
- 22 (4) The prohibition of subdivision (2) of this subsection shall not
- 23 apply to any neonicotinoid that is not labeled for use on plants,
- 24 including, but not limited to, neonicotinoids labeled for use in personal
- 25 <u>care products, pet care products or for veterinary use.</u>

This act shal sections:	l take effect as follow	vs and shall amend the following
Section 1	October 1, 2024	22a-50(1)

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit the nonagricultural use of neonicotinoids.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]