



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 962***

LCO No. 3378



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:  
(ENV)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF CERTAIN RODENTICIDES.***

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2023*) (a) For purposes of this  
2 section, "second-generation anticoagulant rodenticide" means any  
3 pesticide product containing any of the following active ingredients: (1)  
4 Brodifacoum; (2) bromadiolone; (3) difenacoum; or (4) difethialone.

5 (b) No person shall use, apply, sell or distribute any second-  
6 generation anticoagulant rodenticide in this state.

7 (c) The provisions of subsection (b) of this section shall not apply to  
8 any of the following uses or locations:

9 (1) The use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides for  
10 public health activities in accordance with any provision of the Public  
11 Health Code;

12 (2) The use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides for the  
13 purposes of protecting water supply infrastructure and facilities in a  
14 manner that is consistent with all otherwise applicable federal and state

15 laws and regulations;

16 (3) The use of any registered second-generation anticoagulant  
17 rodenticide to control an actual or potential rodent infestation  
18 associated with a public health need, as determined by a supporting  
19 declaration from the Commissioner of Public Health or a director of  
20 health. For purposes of this subdivision, "public health need" means an  
21 urgent, nonroutine situation posing a significant risk to human health  
22 in which it is documented that other rodent control alternatives,  
23 including nonchemical alternatives, are inadequate to control the rodent  
24 infestation;

25 (4) A medical waste generator;

26 (5) Any facility registered annually and subject to inspection under  
27 Section 510 of the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, 21 USC 360 et  
28 seq. and that is compliant with the federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and  
29 Rodenticide Act, 7 USC 135 et seq.; and

30 (6) Agricultural activity. For purposes of this subdivision,  
31 "agricultural activity" additionally includes activities conducted in any  
32 of the following locations:

33 (A) A warehouse used to store foods for human or animal  
34 consumption;

35 (B) An agricultural food production site, including, but not limited  
36 to, a slaughterhouse or cannery;

37 (C) A factory, brewery or winery;

38 (D) An agricultural production site housing water storage and  
39 conveyance facilities; or

40 (E) An agricultural production site housing rights-of-way and other  
41 transportation infrastructure.

42 (d) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may

43 adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the  
44 general statutes and this section, to ensure that the continued use of  
45 second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides is not reasonably  
46 expected to result in significant adverse effects to nontarget wildlife.  
47 Such regulations shall include, but not be limited to, provisions for the  
48 use of such rodenticides if the eradication of invasive rodent  
49 populations is necessary for the protection of threatened or endangered  
50 species or the habitats of such species.

51 (e) Any person who violates the provisions of subsection (b) of this  
52 section shall be subject to a civil penalty of not more than five thousand  
53 dollars by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	New section
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To prohibit the use of second-generation rodenticides in order to preserve hawk and other raptor populations in the state.

*[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.]*