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Representative Ramos

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A BILL

To amend sections 927.72 and 927.99 and to enact 1
section 927.57 of the Revised Code to prohibit 2
the labeling and advertising of nursery stock as 3
pollinator beneficial under specified 4
conditions. 5

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 927.72 and 927.99 be amended and 6
section 927.57 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as 7
follows: 8

Sec. 927.57. (A) No person shall recklessly label or 9
advertise nursery stock as beneficial to pollinators if the 10
nursery stock was treated with a systemic insecticide and the 11
nursery stock has either of the following United States 12
environmental protection agency warnings on the nursery stock or 13
its container: 14

(1) A pollinator protection box; 15

(2) A pollinator, bee, or honey bee precautionary 16
statement in the environmental hazard section of an insecticide 17
product label. 18

(B) As used in this section, "systemic insecticide" means 19
a chemical pesticide soluble in water and absorbed by a plant. 20

Sec. 927.72. (A) No person shall violate sections 927.51 21
to 927.56 or sections 927.58 to 927.71, inclusive, of the 22
Revised Code, ~~or regulation~~ of the director of 23
agriculture ~~promulgated~~ adopted under ~~such~~ those sections. 24

(B) The act, omission, or failure of any officer, agent, 25
servant, or other individual acting for or employed by any 26
person within the scope of ~~his~~ the individual's employment or 27
office, shall be the act, omission, or failure of ~~such~~ that 28
person, as well as that of the officer, agent, servant, or other 29
~~employee~~ individual. 30

Sec. 927.99. (A) Whoever violates sections 927.51 to 31
927.56 or sections 927.58 to 927.72 of the Revised Code is 32
guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree on a first offense; 33
on each subsequent offense, the person is guilty of a 34
misdemeanor of the second degree. 35

(B) Whoever violates section 927.57 of the Revised Code is 36
guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree on a first offense; 37
on each subsequent offense, the person is guilty of a 38
misdemeanor of the third degree. 39

Section 2. That existing sections 927.72 and 927.99 of the 40
Revised Code are hereby repealed. 41