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H. F. No. 2029

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; establishing a moratorium on the sale and use of certain
1.3 pesticides; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 18B.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. [18B.118] MORATORIUM ON SALE OR USE OF NEONICOTINOID
1.6 INSECTICIDES AND FIPRONIL.

1.7 (a) Effective January 1, 2017, a manufacturer shall not sell or offer for sale
1.8 any pesticides with the active ingredients clothianidin, imidacloprid, thiamethoxam,
1.9 dinotefuran, acetamiprid, thiacloprid, nithiazine, or fipronil within the state. This
1.10 paragraph expires on July 1, 2022.

1.11 (b) Effective July 1, 2018, a person shall not sell, offer for sale, or use pesticides with
1.12 the active ingredients clothianidin, imidacloprid, thiamethoxam, dinotefuran, acetamiprid,
1.13 thiacloprid, nithiazine, or fipronil within the state. This paragraph expires on July 1, 2023.

1.14 (c) By January 15, 2022, the commissioner of agriculture, in consultation with the
1.15 commissioners of natural resources and the Pollution Control Agency, shall report to
1.16 the legislature on: (1) the latest published and peer-reviewed evidence on whether use
1.17 of neonicotinoids and fipronil causes unreasonable adverse effects on honeybees, native
1.18 insect pollinators, and birds; and (2) the impacts, costs, and benefits to Minnesota's
1.19 agricultural economy, including pollination services and honey production, of resuming
1.20 the use of these insecticides.