

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am signing Assembly Bill 363, which will require the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) to evaluate the impacts of neonicotinoid pesticide use in nonagricultural settings and adopt control measures, as needed.

DPR's mission is to protect people and the environment from adverse impacts of pesticides by regulating their use and fostering reduced-risk pest management. DPR scientists have already evaluated neonicotinoid risks to pollinators in agricultural settings, and the department has adopted comprehensive regulations to reduce those risks.

AB 363 is consistent with proposed federal direction for certain neonicotinoid applications to be made by non-professional applicators and follows DPR's process for evaluating the impacts of broader neonicotinoid use in nonagricularial settings.

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