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SYNOPSIS
Requires pesticide applicator to notify beekeeper when applying pesticide
within three miles of registered honey or native beehive or beeyard.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT
As reported by the Senate Environment and Energy Committee on
December 5, 2016, with amendments.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/9/2018)
AN ACT concerning the application of pesticide products near beehives and beeyards and supplementing P.L.1971, c.176 (C.13:1F-1 et seq.).

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. a. Within 180 days after the effective date of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill), the department shall adopt, pursuant to the “Administrative Procedure Act,” P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), rules and regulations: (1) permitting beekeepers to register their honey or native beehives or beeyards with the department; and (2) requiring pesticide applicators to notify a registered beekeeper before making an outdoor application of a pesticide product that may be toxic to bees within three miles of a registered honey or native beehive or beeyard.

   b. A beekeeper who wishes to receive the notice required pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection a. of this section shall register his beehives or beeyards with the department by March 1 each year.

   c. The department shall adopt, by rule or regulation, specific requirements for the registration of beehives and beeyards and for the notification required pursuant to this section. The department may also provide for exceptions to the notification requirement.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

1Senate SEN committee amendments adopted December 5, 2016.