

GIA – SELECT HOUSE FY20 AMENDMENTS

Amendment #230 to H3800 - Pesticides for Hemp and Cannabis Cultivation

Mr. Rogers of Cambridge moves to amend the bill in section 2, in item 2511-0103, by adding the following: “; provided, however, that not later than January 20, 2020 the department of agriculture, in consultation with the cannabis control commission, shall issue guidance specifying a list of allowable pesticides for hemp and cannabis cultivation; and provided further, that the department of agriculture shall review and update said guidance annually, at a minimum, and shall release a draft of said guidance for public comment no fewer than 30 days prior to such issuance”; and in said item by striking out the figures “\$1,243,718” and inserting in place thereof the figures “\$1,543,718”

Amendment #618 to H3800 - Employer Medical Assistance Contribution Tax

Representatives O'Connell of Taunton, Lombardo of Billerica, DeCoste of Norwell, Gifford of Wareham, Crocker of Barnstable, Muratore of Plymouth and McKenna of Webster move to amend the bill by adding the following section: “SECTION XXX. When the total, cumulative employer medical assistance contributions collected pursuant to section 189 of chapter 149 of the General Laws reaches \$400,000,000, the director of unemployment assistance shall certify to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate, the governor and the house and senate committees on ways and means, that said amount of contributions has been reached; and employers otherwise required to pay the employer medical assistance contribution pursuant to said section 189 of said chapter 149 shall not be required to pay said contribution after such certification has been made”.

Amendment #996 to H3800 - Healthy Soils Pilot Program

Representatives Schmid of Westport, Sabadosa of Northampton, Hecht of Watertown, Garballey of Arlington, Brodeur of Melrose, Kane of Shrewsbury, Hendricks of New Bedford, Robinson of Framingham, Meschino of Hull, Jones of North Reading, Blais of Sunderland, Barrett of North Adams, Barber of Somerville, Crocker of Barnstable, Whipps of Athol, Keefe of Worcester, Khan of Newton, Connolly of Cambridge, O'Day of West Boylston, Cabral of New Bedford, Donahue of Worcester, Dykema of Holliston and Scaccia of Boston move to amend the bill in section 2, in item 2000-0101, by adding the following: “; provided further that not less than \$190,950 shall be expended for a healthy soils pilot program to be run through the Commission for the Conservation of Soil, Water and Related Resources” and in said item by striking out the figures “2,193,999” and inserting in place thereof the figures “2,384,949”.

Amendment #1157 to H3800 - Minor Minimum Wage

Mr. Hill of Ipswich moves to amend the bill by adding the following section:-
SECTION XXXX. Section 16 of Chapter 121 as appearing in the Acts of 2018, is hereby amended by adding after Section 17 the following new section:--
Section 23: Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, employers may be exempted from the prevailing minimum wage and shall instead pay the following figure:- \$11 if the employee is as follows; i) no older than 18 years old; ii) employed for no more than 90 calendar days after the start of employment.

Amendment #1197 to H3800 - Neonic Review Draft Amendment

Mr. Finn of West Springfield moves to amend the bill in section 2, in item 2511-0100, by inserting at the end thereof the following words:- “; provided, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended by the department to conduct a scientific review of the potential impacts of neonicotinoid insecticides on

pollinators; provided further that the pesticide subcommittee established under chapter 132B of the general laws shall use said scientific review as part of an individual review conducted under 333 CMR 8.03 to determine whether current uses of neonicotinoid insecticides pose unreasonable adverse effects to the environment, and whether current registered uses of neonicotinoid insecticides should be altered; and provided further, that the department shall submit the results of both the scientific review and individual review to the joint committee on environment, natural resources and agriculture no later than December 31, 2019"; and in said item by striking out the figures "\$6,068,662" and inserting in place thereof the figures "\$6,093,662

Amendment #1298 to H3800 - UMass Extension Soil and Plant Nutrient Testing Laboratory

Representatives Mark of Peru, Ashe of Longmeadow, Barrett of North Adams, Blais of Sunderland, Carey of Easthampton, Ciccolo of Lexington, Domb of Amherst, Donahue of Worcester, Ferguson of Holden, Gentile of Sudbury, Gifford of Wareham, Keefe of Worcester, Mahoney of Worcester, Sabadosa of Northampton, Schmid of Westport, Vega of Holyoke, Whipps of Athol and Williams of Springfield move to amend the bill in section 2, in item 2511-0100 by inserting after "southeastern Massachusetts" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$166,000 shall be expended for capital equipment purchases by the UMass Extension Soil and Plant Nutrient Testing Laboratory"; and further amended by striking the figures "\$6,068,662" and inserting in place "\$6,234,662".

Amendment #1339 to H3800 - Protecting Massachusetts Pollinators

Representatives Dykema of Holliston, Ashe of Longmeadow, Barrett of North Adams, Connolly of Cambridge, Crocker of Barnstable, D'Emilia of Bridgewater, Donahue of Worcester, Dooley of Norfolk, Ferguson of Holden, Ferrante of Gloucester, Garballey of Arlington, Hay of Fitchburg, Hecht of Watertown, Honan of Boston, Kearney of Scituate, Keefe of Worcester, Khan of Newton, Lawn of Watertown, Lewis of Framingham, McMurtry of Dedham, Meschino of Hull, Muradian of Grafton, Murray of Milford, Poirier of North Attleborough, Puppolo of Springfield, Robertson of Tewksbury, Robinson of Framingham, Rogers of Norwood, Scaccia of Boston, Tucker of Salem and Ultrino of Malden move to amend the bill by adding the following sections:

SECTION X. Section 2 of chapter 132B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the definition of "Nematode" the following definition:-

"Neonicotinoid," a pesticide belonging to the neonicotinoid class of chemicals which act selectively on nicotine acetylcholine receptors of organisms and are absorbed into plant tissue and can be present in pollen and nectar, including but not limited to, imidacloprid, acetamiprid, clothianidin, dinotefuran, nithiazine, nitenpyram, thiacloprid, and thiamethoxam and any other pesticide identified as a neonicotinoid by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

SECTION XX. Section 6 of said chapter 132B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the second paragraph the following paragraph:-

No person shall distribute a neonicotinoid, or any substance containing a neonicotinoid, except a neonicotinoid-treated nursery plant, to any person except a certified commercial applicator, a certified private applicator, or a licensed applicator.

SECTION XXX. Said chapter 132B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after section 6K the following section:-

Section 6L. (a) Neonicotinoids shall only be sprayed, released, deposited or applied on any property within the commonwealth by a certified commercial applicator, certified private applicator or licensed applicator.

(b) Upon entering into an agreement to provide services that include application of neonicotinoids, a certified commercial applicator, certified private applicator, or licensed applicator shall provide to property owners the following: (i) a form authorizing the applicator to apply neonicotinoids; (ii) a copy

of any warning statements concerning bees on the label of neonicotinoids being applied; and (iii) an acknowledgment signifying that the owner has received and understands this information. This subsection shall not apply to any certified commercial applicator, certified private applicator, or licensed applicator using a neonicotinoid on property that he or she owns.

(c) The subsections (a) and (b) shall not apply to the following products: (i) pet care products used to mitigate fleas, mites, ticks, heartworms, or other animals that are harmful to the health of a domesticated animal; (ii) personal care products used to mitigate lice and bedbugs; (iii) indoor pest control products used to mitigate insects indoors, including ant bait and (iv) any products used by licensed or certified applicators for use in industrial, institutional, structural and health related pest control, as defined in 333 CMR 10.03.7.

SECTION XXXX. Section 10 of said chapter 132B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting in line 61 after the word "management" the following words:- and the protection of pollinators from adverse effects of pesticide applications.

SECTION XXXXX. Section 14 of said chapter 132B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "inclusive", in lines 9 and 10, the following words:- , section 6L.

SECTION XXXXXX. The Massachusetts Department of Transportation shall identify opportunities in the commonwealth for the replacement of non-native, cool-season turf grasses around solar energy installations on property owned by the department with native plant communities that include flowers, wildflowers, vegetables, weeds, herbs, ornamental plants, cover crops and legume species to attract honey bees and other pollinators.

SECTION XXXXXXX. Sections XX through XXXXX, inclusive, shall take effect on January 1, 2020.