

SENATE BILL No. 235

By Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

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1 AN ACT concerning agriculture; relating to pesticides; making it unlawful
2 to sell, offer for sale, use or distribute seeds coated with a pesticide that
3 contains a neonicotinoid unless otherwise ordered by the governor
4 under certain conditions.

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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. (a) Except as otherwise provided in chapter 2, article 47 of
8 the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, and subsection
9 (b), on and after January 1, 2028, it shall be unlawful for any person to
10 sell, offer for sale or use or distribute within the state any seed that has
11 been coated or treated with a pesticide that has one or more of the
12 following active ingredients: Clothianidin, imidacloprid, thiamethoxam,
13 dinotefuran or acetamiprid.

14 (b) The governor may, by executive order, suspend the prohibition in
15 subsection (a) for a period of not more than one year, if the governor
16 determines, after consulting with the secretary of agriculture, that there is a
17 lack of commercially available seed that has not been coated or treated
18 with a pesticide that has such active ingredient or the purchase of a seed
19 that has not been coated or treated with a pesticide that has such active
20 ingredient would result in undue financial hardship to agricultural
21 producers. Any such executive order shall specify the type of seed for
22 which the prohibition is suspended.

23 (c) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to chapter 2,
24 article 47 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

25 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
26 publication in the statute book.