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To: Minnesota House Agriculture Finance and Policy Committee

Subject: Support for HF766

Dear Rep. Sundin and Committee Members,

Humming for Bees, along with our members and supporters, strongly support HF766 strengthening labeling requirements for treated seeds. With this action, Minnesota will better protect our lands, wildlife, and waters through more responsible handling of pesticide treated seeds. Better management of these pesticides, including neonicotinoids, will reduce residual amounts that can remain in our environment, be consumed by wildlife and affect ground water. Neonicotinoids, as well as other chemicals when not managed properly, have negative and lethal effects on pollinators, insect life, water born life, and even birds and mammals. Proper disposal of unplanted seeds must be encouraged and needs to happen.

Please continue Minnesota's leadership and stewardship in the valuing of the quality and diversity of our environment and move this bill forward.

Thank you,



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