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Overview

Effective July 1, 2014, this act prohibits those who sell nursery plants from labeling or advertising a plant as beneficial to pollinators if the plant was treated with, and has a detectable level of, a systemic insecticide that has United States Environmental Protection Agency-required pollinator warning information on the insecticide product's label or labeling. The act also defines the term "pollinator lethal insecticide."

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture's Plant Protection Division administers the state's nursery laws under the authority of Minnesota Statutes, chapters 18H and 18J, and will enforce this new law in a like manner.