

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6915

January Session, 2025



AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF SECOND-GENERATION ANTICOAGULANT RODENTICIDES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) (a) No person shall engage
- 2 in the use in this state of any second-generation anticoagulant
- 3 rodenticide. For purposes of this section, "second-generation
- 4 anticoagulant rodenticide" means any pesticide product containing any
- 5 one of the following active ingredients: (1) Brodifacoum; (2)
- 6 bromadiolone; (3) difenacoum; or (4) difethialone.
- 7 (b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to:
- 8 (1) The use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides by any
- 9 state employee who uses second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides
- 10 for public health activities in accordance with any provision of the
- 11 Public Health Code and in furtherance of such employee's duties;
- 12 (2) The use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides when
- 13 used by any state employee for the purposes of protecting water supply
- 14 infrastructure and facilities in a manner that is consistent with all
- 15 otherwise applicable federal and state laws and regulations and in
- 16 furtherance of such employee's duties;
- 17 (3) The use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides by a

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director of health to control mosquito or vector breeding areas in order to protect the public health;

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- (4) The use of any second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides for the eradication of nonnative invasive species inhabiting or found to be present on offshore islands in a manner that is consistent with all otherwise applicable federal and state laws and regulations;
- 24 (5) The use of any second-generation anticoagulant rodenticide to 25 control an actual or potential rodent infestation associated with a public 26 health need, as determined by a supporting declaration from the 27 Commissioner of Public Health or a director of health. For purposes of this section, "public health need" means an urgent, nonroutine situation 28 29 posing a significant risk to human health in which it is documented that 30 other rodent control alternatives, including nonchemical alternatives, 31 are inadequate to control the rodent infestation;
- 32 (6) The use of second-generation rodenticides in any of the following 33 locations: (A) A medical waste generator; or (B) any facility registered 34 annually and subject to inspection under Section 510 of the federal Food, 35 Drug and Cosmetic Act, 21 USC 360 et seq., and that is compliant with 36 the federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, 7 USC 135 et 37 seq.; or
 - (7) The use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides for agricultural activities. For purposes of this subdivision, "agricultural activities" includes activities conducted in any of the following locations:
- 42 (A) A warehouse used to store foods for human or animal consumption;
- 44 (B) An agricultural production site, including, but not limited to, a 45 slaughterhouse or cannery;
- 46 (C) A factory, brewery or winery;
- 47 (D) An agricultural production site housing water storage and

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conveyance facilities; or

- (E) An agricultural production site housing rights-of-way and other transportation infrastructure.
- (c) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to ensure that the continued use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides, in accordance with the provisions of section 22a-50 of the general statutes is not reasonably expected to result in significant adverse effects to nontarget wildlife. Any such regulations shall include, but are not limited to, provisions for the use of such rodenticides if the eradication of invasive rodent populations is necessary for the protection of threatened or endangered species or the habitats of such species.
- (d) Not later than January 1, 2027, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment on the potential implications of the application of existing statutory and regulatory restrictions and licensing requirements for the use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides. Such report shall include, but is not limited to, an analysis of the consistency of applying such restrictions and requirements with federal law and any potential effects, including, but not limited to, improved raptor health and expenses and delays that such changes may have on public health and agriculture in the state and requisite administrative resources for overseeing such restrictions.
- (e) Any person who violates the provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection for each such violation.

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2025	New section

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