GOVERNOR DAVIS SIGNS CLOPYRALID BILL

SACRAMENTO

The governor signed A.B. 2356, to address compost contamination prevention. The golf course exemption was removed from the bill and golf courses will be required to go through the regulatory process to obtain an exemption to continue to use products containing clopyralid. A.B. 2356 will:

1) Prohibit all persons except licensed pest control dealers from selling pesticides that contain the active ingredient clopyralid;

2) Allow only pesticides containing clopyralid that are labeled for lawn and turf, including golf courses, to be sold to qualified licensed applicators;

3) Require the Dept. of Pesticide Regulation (DPR), by Apr. 1, 2003, to determine in writing those lawn and turf applications where there is "no reasonable likelihood that the specified use will result in persistent residues in compost."

4) After this determination, the DPR will either impose restrictions or cancel the lawn and turf uses the agency decided did not meet the criteria above.

Text of A.B. 2356:
http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/bill/asm/ab_2351-2400/ab_2356_bill_20020916_chaptered.html

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