

MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: 1/21/2026

Re: H.B. 2476, As introduced, Permitting federal pesticide warning or labeling requirements to satisfy any state pesticide warning or labeling requirements.

Section 1 would permit pesticides that meet the following criteria to satisfy any health or safety warning or labeling requirements under state statutory or common law.

- The pesticide must be registered pursuant to the applicable state or federal law; and
- The pesticide's label must be consistent with either:
 - The most recent human health assessment performed under federal pesticide laws;¹ or
 - The federal carcinogenicity classification for the pesticide.²

With limited exceptions, federal law requires pesticides to be registered with the EPA before distribution or sale.³ Manufacturers must also follow extensive federal labeling requirements.⁴ Federal law prohibits states from imposing additional or different labeling requirements.⁵

H.B. 2476 would become effective upon publication in the statute book.

¹ Assessing Human Health Risk from Pesticides, EPA, <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-science-and-assessing-pesticide-risks/assessing-human-health-risk-pesticides>.

² Evaluating Pesticides for Carcinogenic Potential, EPA, <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-science-and-assessing-pesticide-risks/evaluating-pesticides-carcinogenic-potential>.

³ [7 U.S.C. § 136a](#)

⁴ [40 C.F.R. § 156.10](#)

⁵ [7 U.S.C. § 136v](#)