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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing requirements for a nonresident of this state 2 engaged in the aerial application of pesticides, making 3 penalties applicable, and providing an effective date. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 5 TLSB 6073HV 82 6 da/rj/14

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 Section 1. Section 206.6, subsection 1, unnumbered
 paragraph 2, Code 2007, is amended by striking the paragraph.
 Sec. 2. Section 206.6, subsection 5, Code 2007, is amended 1 1 1 1 3 4 to read as follows: 1 5. ISSUE COMMERCIAL APPLICATOR LICENSE. If the a. The secretary finds the shall approve an application 1 5 1 6 7 and issue a commercial applicator license to the applicant as 8 follows: 9 (1) The applicant is qualified as found by the secretary 9 1 1 10 to apply pesticides in the classifications for which the 1 11 applicant has applied and if the. (2) The applicant files the bonds or insurance must 1 12 13 furnish to the department evidence of financial responsibility <u>1 14 as</u> required under section 206.13, and if the. 1 15 <u>(3) An</u> applicant applying for a license to engage in 1 16 aerial application of pesticides has met must meet all of the 1 17 requirements of the federal aviation administration, the 1 18 <u>United States</u> department of transportation, and any other 1 19 applicable federal or state laws or regulations to operate the 1 20 equipment described in the application, the. The secretary 1 21 shall adopt by rule, additional requirements for issuing a 22 license to a person who is a nonresident of this state engaged 23 in the aerial application of pesticides, which may include but 24 is not limited to conditions for the operation of the aircraft 25 and the application of the pesticides under the supervision of 26 a person who is a resident of this state and licensed as a 27 commercial applicator under this section or as a pesticide 28 dealer under section 206.8. The secretary shall not adopt 29 rules concerning the operation of aircraft when not engaged in 30 the commercial application of pesticides or concerning an 1 31 aircraft's operation on the grounds of an airport. 1 32 <u>b. The</u> secretary shall issue a commercial applicator 1 33 license limited to the classifications for which the applicant 1 34 is qualified, which shall expire at the end of the calendar 35 year of issue unless it has been revoked or suspended prior 1 thereto by the secretary for cause. The secretary may limit 1 2 2 the license of the applicant to the use of certain pesticides, 2 2 3 or to certain areas, or to certain types of equipment if the 4 applicant is only so qualified. If a license is not issued as 5 applied for, the secretary shall inform the applicant in 2 2 2 6 writing of the reasons. 7 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of 8 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment. 2 2 2 2 EXPLANATION 9 2 10 This bill amends Code section 206.6 which in part requires 2 11 a person who is in the business of applying pesticides to be 2 12 issued a commercial applicator license by the department of 2 13 agriculture and land stewardship, and includes requirements 2 14 for nonresident aerial applicators. The bill eliminates special requirements for a person 2 15 2 16 licensed as an aerial commercial applicator in another state 2 17 who applies pesticides in this state, including being under

2 18 the direct supervision of an aerial commercial applicator 2 19 licensed in this state. The resident aerial commercial 2 20 licensee is subject to several requirements: (1) being 2 21 jointly liable with the nonresident aerial commercial 2 22 applicator, and (2) immediately notifying the department of 2 23 the commencement and termination of the nonresident's service. The bill amends Code section 206.6(5) which regulates all commercial applicators, including pesticide aerial 2 2 2 26 applicators. The bill provides that the department must adopt 2 2 2 27 additional requirements for issuing a license to a person who 28 is a nonresident of this state engaged in the aerial 2 29 application of pesticides. The additional requirements may 2 30 include conditions for the operation of the aircraft and the 22 31 application of the pesticides under the supervision of a 32 person who is a resident of this state and licensed as a 2 33 commercial applicator or as a pesticide dealer (see Code 2 2 2 34 section 206.8). The bill provides that the department's 35 authority does not include adopting rules concerning the 3 1 operations of aircraft when not engaged in the commercial 3 3 2 application of pesticides or its operation on the grounds of 3 an airport. 3 4 Generally, a person who violates a provision of Code 3 5 section 206.6 is guilty of a serious misdemeanor (see Code 3 6 section 206.22). A serious misdemeanor is punishable by 3 7 confinement for no more than one year and a fine of at least 3 8 \$315 but not more than \$1,875. A person may also be subject 3 3 9 to a civil penalty as determined by the department of up to 10 \$500 (see Code section 206.19). 3 11

The bill takes effect upon enactment.

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