PESTICIDE POISONS.

An Act relating to the regulation of pesticide poisons.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Any pesticide poison used for control of rodents or predatory animals, which is highly toxic or has a definite secondary reaction, and for which there is no known or easily available antidote, may be classified by the director of agriculture as detrimental to agriculture or public health, and its sale and/or use prohibited except under special permit.

The director may issue permits for the use of these poisons to individuals or organizations when he deems it is for the general welfare and may revoke such permits for good and sufficient reasons. The foregoing is not to apply to the department of game in controlling predator animals; nor to any city, town or county in the performance of their duties relating to rodent or insect destruction and control; nor to any city, town or county or combination of either which by ordinance or regulations either licenses, regulates, and/or controls the use of a pesticide poison.

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