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I am writing in support of SB 929. I think it should be passed. I would pass something even stronger to protect bees and other pollinating insects. This bill is apparently aimed at consumer not professional garden products. But we might as well begin here and then move on to planes that spread death to pollinators.

In short, I like to eat. We must have pollinators.

I have heard Jonathon Lundgren speak, an entomologist who worked at one time for the Federal government and who has been dismissed because his research upsets pesticide manufacturers. On the whole, we have learned its not helpful to suppress science.

I am represented by Rob Nosse who is a cosponsor of this bill. It may well be under the radar of many urbanites, which is most of his district, but I have farmland in the midwest and so I pay attention.

You know those health food devotees who eat bee pollen? That is where the neonicotinoids the bees are exposed to congregate. And who knows how they might affect humans.

Thank you Kathy Birch 97214