

SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS OF LEGISLATION
H.R. 953, THE REDUCING REGULATORY BURDENS ACT OF 2017

Section 1. Short Title.

Section 1 of the bill designates the title of the bill as the “Reducing Regulatory Burdens Act of 2015.”

Section 2. Use of Authorized Pesticides.

Section 2 of the bill amends section 3(f) of FIFRA (7 U.S.C. 136a(f)) by adding at the end a new paragraph (5). Paragraph (5) provides that, except as provided in section 402(s) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (CWA), the Administrator or a state may not require a permit under the CWA for a discharge from a point source into navigable waters of a pesticide authorized for sale, distribution, or use under FIFRA, or the residue of such a pesticide, resulting from the application of such pesticide. The exceptions provided in section 402(s) of the CWA are provided in new subsection (s)(2), discussed further below.

Section 3. Discharges of Pesticides.

Section 3 of the bill amends section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1342) by adding at the end a new subsection (s).

New subsection (s)(1) provides that, except as provided in paragraph (2) of subsection (s), the Administrator or a State shall not require a permit under the CWA for a discharge from a point source into navigable waters of a pesticide authorized for sale, distribution, or use under FIFRA, or the residue of such a pesticide, resulting from the application of such pesticide. This provision is aimed at mirroring the provision added to FIFRA under section 2 of the bill.