PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE

STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

LCB File No. R024-22

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EXPLANATION - Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§ 1 and 2, NRS 552.095.

A REGULATION relating to agriculture; requiring the owner of an apiary to post and maintain a sign on the property on which the apiary is located; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides that the State Department of Agriculture has control of all matters pertaining to the apiary industry in this State and authorizes the Director of the Department to adopt regulations relating to bees and apiaries. (NRS 552.095) **Section 1** of this regulation requires the owner of an apiary to post a sign on the property on which the apiary is located that includes: (1) a statement indicating that an apiary is located on the property; (2) the name of the owner; and (3) the telephone number or electronic mail address of the owner.

Section 2 of this regulation makes the requirements of this regulation applicable to apiaries that exist on the effective date of this regulation. The owner of such an apiary will have 90 days after the effective date of this regulation to comply with such requirements.

- **Section 1.** Chapter 552 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- 1. The owner of an apiary shall post a sign on the property on which the apiary is located which must:
 - (a) Be placed in a conspicuous location on the property;
 - (b) Be printed with text that is easily readable and at least 1 inch in height; and
 - (c) Include, without limitation:
 - (1) A statement indicating that an apiary is located on the property;

- (2) The name of the owner of the apiary; and
- (3) The telephone number or electronic mail address of the owner of the apiary.
- 2. The sign required to be posted pursuant to subsection 1 must be posted and maintained at all times that an apiary is located on the property.
- 3. If the owner of an apiary does not post and maintain a sign that meets the requirements of this section, the Director may, after notice and opportunity for a hearing, find the apiary abandoned and have the apiary seized and destroyed.
- **Sec. 2.** This regulation, LCB File No. R024-22, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following transitory language which has the force and effect of law but which will not be codified in the Nevada Administrative Code:
- 1. The owner of an apiary shall, not later than 90 days after the effective date of this regulation, post a sign on the property on which the apiary is located which must:
 - (a) Be placed in a conspicuous location on the property;
 - (b) Be printed with text that is easily readable and at least 1 inch in height; and
 - (c) Include, without limitation:
 - (1) A statement indicating that an apiary is located on the property;
 - (2) The name of the owner of the apiary; and
 - (3) The telephone number or electronic mail address of the owner of the apiary.
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