
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Amusement ride reinspections

- Adds to the reasons why an amusement ride owner must pay a reinspection fee by requiring the owner to pay the fee if rules adopted by the Director of Agriculture (ODA Director) require reinspections for the ride's safe operation.
- Allows the Department of Agriculture (ODA) to charge a fee for a supplemental reinspection of a temporary amusement ride when the inspection is required by rules governing a ride's safe operation.

Seed sharing

- Exempts seed libraries and participants in seed swap events and noncommercial seed sharing from seed labeling, permitting, and sales reporting requirements if certain conditions are met, including that any seed must be exchanged without remuneration.
- Requires noncommercial seed sharing participants, seed libraries, and organizers of seed swap events to maintain a seed log that identifies certain information, such as the source of all seeds received by the seed library or offered for exchange during seed swap events.
- Allows ODA to request access and review the seed log at any time, as well as enter any place of business to gain access to any seeds for sampling or any records.

Legume inoculators

- Eliminates the legume inoculator's annual license (\$5 fee), which authorizes a person to apply legume inoculants to seed for sale.

Amusement ride reinspections

(R.C. 993.04)

The bill adds to the list of reasons why an amusement ride owner must pay a reinspection fee by requiring the owner to pay the fee if rules adopted by the ODA Director require reinspections for the safe operation of the ride. Under current law, the ODA Director may require an amusement ride owner to pay a reinspection fee only if:

1. The reinspection was conducted at the owner's request;
2. The reinspection is required because of an accident; or
3. The reinspection is required because it is unsafe and in violation of the law governing safe operations of rides.

Also under current law, the ODA Director is not authorized to charge a fee for a reinspection when the reinspection is conducted in accordance with rules governing the safe operation of the ride. These reinspections are required based on the size, complexity, nature of

the ride, and the number of days the ride is in operation during the year. Reinspection fees range from \$5 to \$1,200 depending on the ride being inspecting.

The bill also allows ODA to charge a fee for a supplemental reinspection of a temporary amusement ride when the inspection is required by rules governing the safe operation of a ride.

Seed sharing

(R.C. 907.091 and 907.01)

The bill exempts seed libraries and participants in seed swap events and noncommercial seed sharing from seed labeling, permitting, and sales reporting requirements under the Seed Law if the following requirements are met:

1. Seed libraries and individuals participating in a seed swap event cannot distribute or hold patented or treated seeds;

2. Seed libraries and organizers of seed swap events must ensure that all seeds distributed or held by the seed library or distributed by individuals participating in a seed swap event are free of noxious and exotic weed seeds;

3. Seed libraries must ensure that all seeds transferred, obtained, distributed, or acquired from the library or at a seed swap event sponsored by the library are:

a. Free of charge;

b. Open pollinated and one of the public domain varieties.

4. Seed libraries and noncommercial seed sharing participants, and organizers of seed swap events must maintain a log identifying the seed species, common name, and source of all seeds received by the seed library or offered for exchange during seed swap events.

ODA may request access and review a log at any time. Additionally, the ODA Director, or the Director's designee, may enter any public or private place of business to gain access to any seeds for sampling or any records.

Under the bill, seed libraries, noncommercial seed sharing, and seed swap events are described as follows:

Exempted entity or action	Description
Seed library	A nonprofit, governmental, or cooperative organization or association established for the purpose of facilitating the donation, exchange, preservation, and dissemination of seeds among the seed library's members or the general public, free of charge.
Noncommercial seed sharing	Seed sharing with no transfer of monetary compensation in return for receiving seeds. It does not mean either of the following: 1. Seed sharing in which participants in seed sharing activities create an expectation that seeds must be returned in exchange for receiving seeds; or

Exempted entity or action	Description
	2. The distribution of seeds given as compensation for work or services rendered.
Seed swap event	An organized and publicly promoted event where noncommercial seed sharing takes place.

Legume inoculators

(R.C. 907.27 and 907.32; R.C. 907.30, repealed)

The bill eliminates the legume inoculator's annual license, which authorizes a person to apply legume inoculants to seed for sale. Current law requires an applicant for a license to include specified information with an application (along with a \$5 application fee), including the brand name of the legume inoculant to be used.