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House Bill 5155 AN ACT MODIFYING THE BAN ON PESTICIDE APPLICATIONS  
ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

I ABSOLUTELY DO NOT SUPPORT HB 5155 AN ACT MODIFYING THE BAN ON  
PESTICIDE APPLICATIONS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.

THIS BILL IS ABOUT BIG BUSINESS, MONEY, AND BUSINESS AS USUAL,  
WITHOUT REGARD OR REGULATION AND AT THE RISK OF DECADES OF  
INVOLUNTARILY, VULNERABLE CHILDREN. The playing fields should have  
been protected generations ago. We do not want BIG MONEY TO KEEP BIG  
POISONOUS PLAYING GROUNDS, AT THE COST OF GROWING CHILDREN.  
especially when we have had, safe, effective alternatives.

This BILL IS ABOUT , INTERRUPTING, THE LANDSCAPE OF CHILDREN'S  
BRAINS...THEIR ENDOCRINE SYSTEM,.. ORGANS WHICH ARE STILL  
DEVELOPING, AND THEIR IMMUNE SYSTEMS MAY PROVIDE LESS  
PROTECTION THAN ADULTS, with exception of PROSTATE CANCERS in MEN,  
the PESTICIDE APPLICATORS ARE ALSO at increased risk. (note1.)

THIS BILL IS Clearly NOT A PROTECTIVE BILL for Children and people, on the  
contrary . There are provisions for ticks and bees,etc. This is about exposing children to  
diseases which we have no cure! Take a walk though a children's cancer ward...not to  
mention watching a child struggle with learning disabilities, yes, neurological  
associations here too.

What needs to be applied here is STOP, Stop USING TOXIC APPLICATIONS AND  
USE "THE PRECAUTIONARY PRINCIPAL" WHEN THERE IS SUSPECT of Harm  
to humans. Choosing the WAIT & SEE ACT: what disease manifests, is irresponsible.

HB5155 will " not" help to provide protection, or help in the prevention of HORRIFIC  
ASSOCIATED DISEASES, THAT HAVE BEEN DOCUMENTED BY  
ENDOCRINOLOGIST & SCIENTISTS. POISONOUS PESTICIDE APPLICATION ,  
LEAVES OUR CHILDREN WIDE OPEN TO INGESTING TOXINS INTO THEIR  
VULNERABLE BODIES AND BRAINS AND FURTHER DRAGGING THESE  
TOXINS INTO THEIR HOMES, TO EXPOSURE THE FAMILY, and women  
(children in utero). Know that a little pesticides goes a long way in altering, and  
destroying life.

When we kill insects with poisonous applications, we, WE RISK KILLING THE  
HUMAN CELL AND OR ALTERING THAT CELLS BEHAVIOR..... MESSING  
AROUND WITH GENETIC MESSAGING!

THAT IS A MAJESTIC PLACE TO BE, in the hands of big business, with life and a

HIGH PRICE TO PAY.... ONE OUR CHILDREN AND UNBORN SHOULD not have to TO SUFFER FROM, with "INCURABLE DISEASES"....

EPA, quotes "Children are at Greater Risks From pesticide Exposure" un quote....Ref. 1996, 2002 EPA.

EPA in collaboration with Agricultural Health Study 2003 in American Journal of Epidemiology, National Cancer Institute, Division of Environmental Science, also concur, that there is increase risk with people and pesticide applicators with prostate cancer. (note 1.) Now that should speak to a population. Pesticides are not discriminatory.

From the placenta to the playgrounds and into the brains and bodies of human organisms... all of us here in this room are candidates.

Potential 'consequences' to the most vulnerable population are left out of the equation, exposing children involuntarily. There is a reality here and not new to medicine and science.

HOW MUCH MORE EVIDENCE IS REQUIRED TO CHANGE, THE COURSE, TO SAFER ORGANIC CHEMISTRY AND MAINTAIN A HEALTHY PLAYING FIELD! Again, "The Precautionary Principal " needs application, not Pesticides!

I do not support the HB5155 and encourage the reading of John Wargo, Yale Professor of Environmental Risk Analysis, "Our Children's Toxic Legacy": How Science and Law Fail to Protect Us From Pesticides, published by Yale University Press in 1998: Special attention to the vulnerability of infants and children.

Thank you for this opportunity.

Note 1. "Associations between pesticide use and prostate cancer risk among the farm population have been seen in previous studies" a most consistent occupational risk factor for prostate cancer." Michael Alavanja, Dr. P.H., NCI's Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics in Bethesda, MD., and principal investigator of the Agricultural Health Study.

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