

**4-11-14 Maintenance of abandoned apiary, equipment, or appliance -- Nuisance.**

- (1) It is a public nuisance to keep or maintain an abandoned apiary, apiary equipment, or appliance other than in an enclosure that prohibits the entry of bees.
- (2) Items listed in Subsection (1) are subject to seizure and destruction by the county bee inspector.
- (3) Upon discovery of, or receipt of a written complaint concerning, an abandoned apiary site, apiary equipment, or appliance, the county bee inspector shall attempt to notify the registered owner, if any.
- (4)
  - (a) A registered owner notified under Subsection (3) shall remove the abandoned apiary, apiary equipment, or appliance or provide a bee-proof enclosure within 15 days.
  - (b) The county bee inspector or the department shall verify the removal or protection in accordance with Subsection (4)(a) at the expiration of the 15-day period.
  - (c) If a registered owner does not comply with Subsection (4)(a), the county bee inspector or the department may seize and destroy the abandoned apiary, apiary equipment, and appliances.
- (5) A county bee inspector or the department may seize and destroy an abandoned apiary, apiary equipment, or appliances if the abandoned apiary, apiary equipment, or appliances do not indicate a registered owner.

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