

Pesticide Amendments
2026 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Tyler Clancy
Senate Sponsor:

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies provisions related to application of pesticides.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- addresses application of pesticides near an elementary or secondary school.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

4-14-112, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **4-14-112** is enacted to read:

4-14-112 . Prohibited application near schools.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Boundary of a school" means the boundary of:

(i) the parcel of real property, whether fenced or unfenced, on which is located a public or private elementary school or a secondary school, including a public or private driveway, street, sidewalk or walkway, parking lot, or parking garage on the real property; or

(ii) a parcel of real property that is owned or leased by a local education agency or private school on which instruction, an extracurricular activity, or training of a public or private elementary school or secondary school is conducted.

(b) "Perfluoroalkyl substance" or "polyfluoroalkyl substance" means a class of fluorinated chemicals that contains at least one fully fluorinated carbon atom.

(2)(a) A person may not apply a pesticide listed in Subsection (2)(b) within 1,000 feet of the boundary of a school.

(b) The 1,000-foot prohibition of this Subsection (2) applies to:

(i) paraquat dichlorate;

(ii) atrazine;

(iii) dicamba;

(iv) chlorpyrifos;

(v) 2,4-dichloroacetic acid;

(vi) glyphosate;

(vii) diquat dibromide;

(viii) perfluoroalkyl substance; or

(ix) polyfluoroalkyl substance.

(3)(a) A person may apply a pesticide that is not prohibited by Subsection (2) to property that is within 1,000 feet of the boundary of a school only if the person posts signs notifying of the application of a pesticide on the property:

(i) 72 hours before the application of the pesticide; and

(ii) for 72 hours after the application of the pesticide.

(b) This Subsection (3) does not apply to the application of:

(i) biopesticides;

(ii) antimicrobials;

(iii) microbicides; or

(iv) virucides.

(4) For the purposes of this section, a person shall measure distances from the point on the property boundary of a school closest to the property on which the pesticide is being applied to the area of the property on which the pesticide is being applied.

Section 2. Effective Date.

This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.