

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 3000 Session of
2002

INTRODUCED BY L. I. COHEN, HORSEY, MELIO, S. MILLER AND
YOUNGBLOOD, NOVEMBER 21, 2002

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS,
NOVEMBER 21, 2002

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 7, 1982 (P.L.228, No.74), entitled "An
2 act relating to noxious weeds; creating a Noxious Weed
3 Control Committee and defining its powers and duties;
4 imposing powers and duties on the Secretary of Agriculture
5 and municipalities; providing penalties; and making a
6 repeal," further providing for the sale and control of
7 bamboo.

8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
9 hereby enacts as follows:

10 Section 1. Section 2 of the act of April 7, 1982 (P.L.228,
11 No.74), known as the Noxious Weed Control Law, is amended by
12 adding definitions to read:

13 "Bamboo." Any monopodial plant species belonging to the
14 subfamily Bambusoideae.

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16 "Rhizome barrier." A concrete, metal or high density plastic
17 which deflects the growth of bamboo rhizomes, also known as a
18 root barrier.

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20 Section 2. Section 8 of the act, amended July 7, 1994

1 (P.L.439, No.72), is amended to read:

2 Section 8. Noxious weed control list.

3 The noxious weed control list shall include but not be
4 limited to the following weeds:

5 (1) Cannabis sativa, commonly known as marihuana.

6 (2) Cirsium arvense, commonly known as Canadian thistle.

7 (3) Rosa multiflora, commonly known as multiflora rose.

8 (4) Sorghum halepense, commonly known as Johnson grass.

9 (5) Bamboo, when established without a rhizome barrier.

10 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.