

(E) "BEE" MEANS THE COMMON HONEY BEE, *APIS MELLIFERA*, AT ANY STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT.

(F) "BEE EQUIPMENT" MEANS ANY PART OF A HIVE, INCLUDING ANY FRAME, HIVE BODY, OR SUPER.

(G) "COLONY" MEANS A HIVE THAT CONTAINS BEES, COMB, AND HONEY.

(H) "DISEASE" MEANS AN ABNORMAL CONDITION RESULTING FROM ACTION BY A PARASITE, PREDATOR, OR INFECTIOUS AGENT.

~~(H)~~ (I) "HIVE" MEANS A CONTAINER FOR HOUSING BEES.

~~(I)~~ (J) "HONEY HOUSE" MEANS A STRUCTURE WHERE HONEY IS EXTRACTED AND PROCESSED FOR SALE.

~~(J)~~ (K) "PACKAGED BEE" MEANS ANY BEE SHIPPED IN A COMBLESS PACKAGE.

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THE SECRETARY SHALL:

(1) INSPECT APIARIES AND HONEY HOUSES;

(2) CONDUCT INVESTIGATIONS;

(3) DISSEMINATE INFORMATION TO PROMOTE THE BEEKEEPING INDUSTRY; AND

(4) KEEP RECORDS OF ANY WORK PERFORMED IN CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

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(A) (1) A BEEKEEPER SHALL REGISTER ANNUALLY WITH THE DEPARTMENT EACH COLONY THAT IT MAINTAINS, AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION.

(2) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE BEEKEEPER SHALL COMPLETE AND SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT A REGISTRATION FORM ON WHICH THE BEEKEEPER SHALL STATE THE NUMBER OF COLONIES HE MAINTAINS AND THE LOCATION OF EACH COLONY.

(3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT A FORM WHICH SHALL BE USED TO COMPLY WITH THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBSECTION.

(B) ANY PERSON WHO IS NOT REGISTERED AS A BEEKEEPER UNDER THIS SECTION AND WHO ACQUIRES A COLONY SHALL REGISTER IT WITH THE DEPARTMENT WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE ACQUISITION.

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