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Cosmetic pesticides are used to make lawns and gardens look nice, but they also endanger human health and the environment. Long-term exposure to pesticides can cause serious illnesses, from cancers to neurological diseases. Pesticides also harm pollinators—and therefore our food supply

In early 2010, the B.C. Ministry of Environment consulted the public about legislation that would protect us and the environment from cosmetic pesticides. Although most of the 8,000 respondents were in favour of legislation, the government has yet to announce a decision.



Ontario and Nova Scotia have banned lawn and garden pesticides that pose a high risk to human health. And B.C. new premier and environment minister have both confirmed their support for such a ban. So what's the delay?

Tell B.C.'s Premier Christy Clark and Environment Minister Terry Lake you support a ban on cosmetic pesticides.

1,233 messages have been sent. Let's get to 2,500!



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Email

To:

The Hon. Christy Clark - Premier of BC <premier@gov.bc.ca>

Cc:

Mr. Terry Lake - Environment Minister of BC <Env.minister@gov.bc.ca>,
Mr. Adrian Dix - Leader of the Official Opposition <adrian.dix.mla@leg.bc.ca>,
Mr. Rob Fleming - Opposition Critic for Environment <rob.fleming.mla@leg.bc.ca>

Subject:

B.C. requires a ban on the sale and use of lawn and garden chemicals

Body:

It's been more than a year since the consultation on new regulatory restrictions on lawn and garden pesticides. Please act quickly to implement a province-wide ban on these needless chemicals without further delay. It should be at least as protective of public health and the environment as Ontario's ban.

I don't use chemical pesticides on my lawn or garden, and I believe that British Columbians are ready to switch to non-toxic gardening techniques.

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