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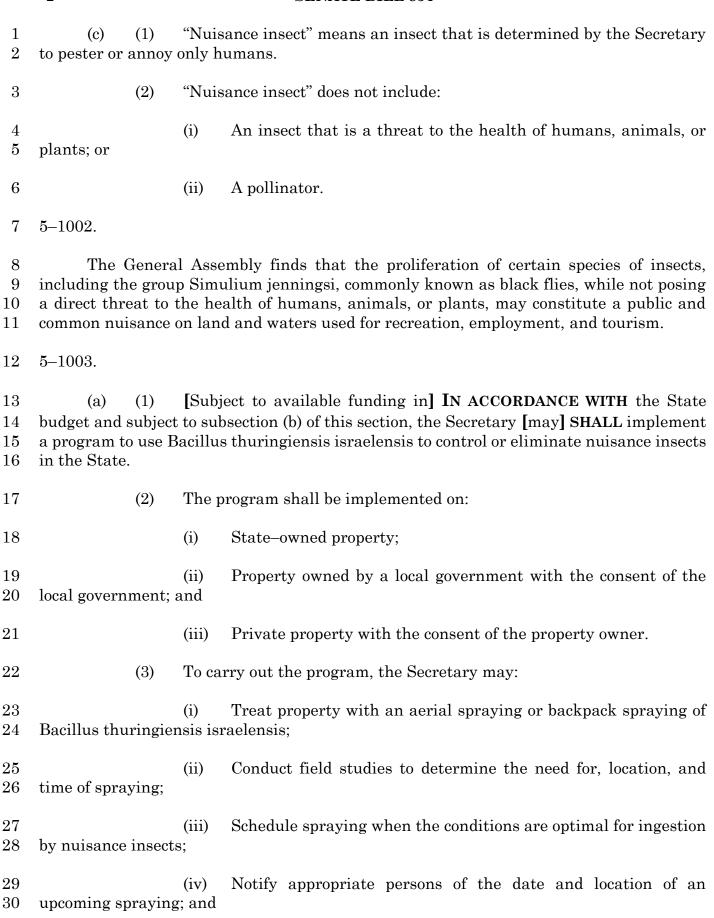
A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Agriculture - Nuisance Insects

- FOR the purpose of requiring, instead of authorizing, the Secretary of Agriculture to implement, under certain circumstances, a program to use a certain pesticide to control or eliminate nuisance insects in the State; requiring, instead of authorizing, the Secretary to carry out a certain project to control or eliminate nuisance insects if the county or municipality in which the nuisance insects are located agrees to pay a certain portion of certain costs; and generally relating to controlling or eliminating nuisance insects in the State.
- 10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 11 Article Agriculture
- 12 Section 5–1001(a) and (c) and 5–1002
- 13 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 14 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 16 Article Agriculture
- 17 Section 5–1003
- 18 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 19 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 20 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 21 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 22 Article Agriculture
- 23 5–1001.
- 24 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.



1		(v)	Review the effectiveness of spraying.
2 3	(b) Notice provided under subsection (a)(3)(iv) of this section shall, at a minimum be:		
4	(1)	Prov	ided to:
5		(i)	Local press outlets;
6 7	(ii) County and local governments that are in the area that will affected by the spraying;		
8 9	(iii) Emergency responders and associated agencies that service the area that will be affected by the spraying; and		
10 11	spraying; and	(iv)	The local riverkeeper for the area that will be affected by the
12	(2)	Post	ed on appropriate social media sites.
13 14 15 16	(c) (1) The Secretary [may] SHALL carry out a project to use Bacillu thuringiensis israelensis to control or eliminate nuisance insects under this section if the county or municipality in which the nuisance insects are located agrees to pay 50% of the costs associated with the project.		
17 18 19	(2) The Secretary shall remit any payment from a county or municipality received under this subsection to the Comptroller for deposit to the Nuisance Insects Fund established under § 5–1004 of this subtitle.		
20 21	SECTION 2 1, 2024.	2. ANI	BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July