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Retherford, Riedel, Roegner, Thompson, West**

A BILL

To enact section 909.19 of the Revised Code to 1
grant specified apiary owners immunity in 2
personal injury or property damage cases. 3

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 909.19 of the Revised Code be 4
enacted to read as follows: 5

Sec. 909.19. (A) A person that registers an apiary under 6
section 909.02 of the Revised Code is not liable for any 7
personal injury or property damage that occurs in connection 8
with keeping and maintaining bees, bee equipment, queen breeding 9
equipment, apiaries, and appliances if the person does all of 10
the following: 11

(1) Implements and is in compliance with Ohio beekeeping 12
industry best management practices as established by the Ohio 13
state beekeepers association; 14

(2) Is in compliance with local zoning ordinances 15
pertaining to apiaries; 16

<u>(3) Operates the apiary in compliance with the provisions</u>	17
<u>of this chapter.</u>	18
<u>(B) The limitation of liability established by this</u>	19
<u>section does not apply to intentional tortious conduct or acts</u>	20
<u>or omissions constituting gross negligence.</u>	21