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A BILL

To enact section	3901.96 of the Revised Code to	1
exclude nonpro	ofit agricultural membership	2
organizations	from insurance regulations.	3

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

Section 1. That section 3901.96 of the Revised Code be	4
enacted to read as follows:	
Sec. 3901.96. (A) As used in this section:	6
(1) "Nonprofit agricultural membership organization" means	
an organization or an affiliate of an organization that meets	
both of the following:	

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(a) The organization was incorporated in this state on or	10	
before December 31, 1919, for the purpose of promoting the		
interests of farmers in this state.	12	
(b) The organization provides healthcare benefit coverage	13	
exclusively to members of the organization and the members'	14	
families pursuant to contracts between the members and the	15	
organization or its affiliate.	16	
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(2) "Material marketing" means the official written		
materials and verbal communications provided to, or directed at,	18 19	
prospective members and members' families for advertising or		
marketing purposes.	20	
(B) Healthcare benefit coverage provided by a nonprofit	21	
agricultural membership organization that meets all of the	22	
following is not subject to Title XXXIX or Chapter 1739., 1751.,		
or 1753. of the Revised Code and shall not be considered		
insurance under any law of this state:		
(1) The healthcare benefit coverage is provided by a	26	
nonprofit agricultural membership organization to the		
organization's members;		
(2) The application for healthcare benefit coverage and	29	
any contract provided to a member is in writing;		
(3) The application for healthcare benefit coverage and	31 32	
any contract provided to a member prominently states both of the		
following:	33	
(a) The healthcare benefit coverage is not insurance;	34	
(b) The healthcare benefit coverage is not subject to the	35	
laws and rules of this state governing insurance.		
(C) A nonprofit agricultural membership organization shall	37	

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not represent that healthcare benefit coverage provided by the organization is insurance in any material marketing.	
provided by a nonprofit agricultural membership organization may	41
be assumed or reinsured by a company authorized to conduct the	42
business of insurance in this state.	