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Short Title: Clarify Board. of Agric. Authority/Plants.-AB (Public) Sponsors: Representative Langdon (Primary Sponsor). For a complete list of Sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly Web Site. Referred to: Agriculture, if favorable, Environment.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE OVER 3 PLANTS. 4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: SECTION 1. Article 36 of Chapter 106 of the General Statutes is amended by 5 6 adding a new section to read: 7 "§ 106-421.1 Authority of Board of Agriculture to Regulate Plants. The Board of Agriculture shall have the sole authority to prohibit the planting, cultivation, 8 9 harvesting, disposal, handling, or movement of plants as defined in G.S. 106-202.12. This section shall not prevent the designation of plants as noxious aquatic weeds pursuant to Article 10 15 of Chapter 113A of the General Statutes, nor shall it prevent the adoption or enforcement of 11 city or county ordinances regulating the appearance of property or the handling and collection 12 13 of solid waste."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

