

**APIARY LAW (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 412 of 1976**

**286.801 Definitions.**

Sec. 1. As used in this act:

- (a) "Bee disease" means American or European foulbrood, sacbrood, bee paralysis, parasites of bees, or other disease or abnormal condition of the egg, larval, pupal, or adult stages of bees.
- (b) "Bees" means any life stage of the common honey bee, *Apis mellifera* L.
- (c) "Director" means the director of the department of agriculture.
- (d) "Exotic strain of bees" means African or Africanized bees or any other developed strain of bees known to be harmful but not known to be present ordinarily in this state.

**History:** 1976, Act 412, Imd. Eff. Jan. 9, 1977;—Am. 1982, Act 443, Imd. Eff. Dec. 30, 1982;—Am. 1984, Act 312, Imd. Eff. Dec. 21, 1984;—Am. 1993, Act 108, Imd. Eff. July 16, 1993.