

2025 ABC Resolution Form

TITLE OF RESOLUTION:

Safeguarding Alberta's Honey Industry **CARRIED**

RESOLUTION RATIONALE/PURPOSE:

- Whereas imported honey and pollen pose a risk to honey bee health
- Whereas Canadian honey export markets are in decline
- Whereas the importation of adulterated honey poses a risk to human health
- Whereas honey adulteration practices are well known in countries importing honey into Canada
- Whereas importing countries are not required to meet the same harvesting, traceability, bee husbandry, and labour practices and standards as Canadian producers are

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Alberta Beekeepers Commission work with provincial and national organizations to lobby Alberta Agriculture and Irrigation, Agriculture and Agri-food Canada, Health Canada and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency to close the Canadian border to all imported honey and products produced by honey bees from outside North America.

RESOLUTION BACKGROUND INFORMATION

<https://agriculture.canada.ca/en/sector/horticulture/reports/statistical-overview-canadian-honey-and-bee-industry-2024>

https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC11996992/pdf/11356_2024_Article_33754.pdf

The Toxic Impact of Honey Adulteration: A Review: The Toxic Impact of Honey Adulteration: A Review

<https://www.mpi.govt.nz/bring-send-to-nz/bringing-and-posting-items-to-nz/check-if-you-can-bring-or-send-an-item-to-nz/bringing-food-to-nz/bringing-honey-salt-sauces-yeast-and-other-food-ingredients-to-nz>

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