

America Needs Mosquito Control

ACTION

America's public sector mosquito control professionals call on Congress to reauthorize the Kay Hagan TICK Act and the SMASH Act as part of the PAHPA reauthorization, provide sufficient appropriations to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and support vector control activities.

The Mosquito:
The World's
Deadliest Animal



WHY THIS MATTERS

- Programs carried out by America's publicly funded mosquito control professionals are vital in the fight against deadly diseases.
- Mosquito control programs supplement the work of local and state health departments, adding the expertise needed to target emerging vector-borne diseases and invasive species.
- Risks of mosquito-borne disease (such as Malaria and Dengue Fever) continue to rise due to increasing international travel and commerce.
- Mosquitoes and other public health vectors diminish quality of life due to the discomfort associated with bites. In areas lacking effective control measures, individuals can experience over 100 bites per minute—posing more than just a nuisance, but a serious disruption to daily activities and well-being.
- Mosquitoes, ticks, and other vectors of public health importance have a significant negative impact on tourism, agriculture, and local economies – reducing attendance at outdoor events.
- The control of mosquitoes keeps workers, residents, and visitors healthy and able to fully participate in the nation's growing local economies.

RESOURCES



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