

LEGISTAR #43445 - Body

\DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: This ordinance amends the City's noxious weeds ordinance to add three species of invasive species to the City's noxious weed ordinance. By adding these species, Japanese knotweed, teasel and the non-native common reed, to the noxious weed list, it gives the City additional authority to order and remove these harmful species if necessary.

The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

Subsection (1) of Section 23.29 entitled "Noxious Weeds" of the Madison General Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

"(1) The term "noxious weeds" as used in this section includes the following: Canada or other thistles, leafy spurge and field bindweed (commonly called creeping Jenny), *Ambrosia trifida* (commonly called giant ragweed), *Ambrosia artemesifolia* (commonly called common ragweed), burdock, *Rhus radicans* sometimes called *Radicans toxicodendron*, *Rhus toxicodendron* and *Toxicodendron radicans* (commonly called poison ivy), *Urtica dioica* (commonly called stinging nettle), and non-native *Lythrum salicaria* and *Lythrum virgatum* and their hybrids (commonly called purple loosestrife), Japanese knotweed (*Fallopia japonica*), Teasel (*Dipsacus spp.*), and the non-native Common Reed (*Phragmites australis*)."