

Proposed 2015 Session Legislation

Agency Name & No: Agriculture - 62010

Priority Number: 010 Filename: 30-010

Short Title: Department of Agriculture may provide sampling of plant material services

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1. Purpose:

Enable the department to provide plant sampling services for producers in the event of particular types of disputes.

2. Background:

The department of agriculture is able to sample during disputes about patented plant material. This would allow the department, as a neutral party, to sample and test crop material when a dispute involves a crop "drifting" into a neighboring field.

3. Fiscal Impact by Fund Type: This impact should be as specific as possible.

Fiscal impact would be minimal and could be absorbed by existing appropriation.

4. Summary Checklist [Check & complete all that apply]--

- Housekeeping Only, Federal Requirement, Audit Recommendation, Major Legislation, Anticipated to be Controversial Legislation, Bill Draft has been included in Legislation Submittal, Supports Submitted EPP Item Number, Local Government Fiscal Impact, Increases FTE, Decreases FTE, Revenue changes (Tax, Fee, Penalty), Leg. has been Submitted in Previous Legislative Sessions, Legislation would affect other state agencies, Special Interest Groups Affected, Other