

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Requested by Legislative Council**  
02/09/2009

Amendment to: HB 1270

1A. **State fiscal effect:** *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2007-2009 Biennium		2009-2011 Biennium		2011-2013 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
<b>Revenues</b>	\$0	\$5,402	\$0	\$48,922	\$0	\$0
<b>Expenditures</b>	\$0	\$5,402	\$0	\$48,922	\$0	\$0
<b>Appropriations</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

1B. **County, city, and school district fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2007-2009 Biennium			2009-2011 Biennium			2011-2013 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

2A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

The bill would allow the Agriculture Department to designate agents to inspect and certify forage as "weed seed free" and to establish and collect fees for such inspection and certification.

**B. Fiscal impact sections:** *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

Funds collected would be deposited in the Environment and Rangeland Protection(EARP)Fund. This fiscal note assumes that 18 such certifications would be conducted during the 2007-09 biennium and 162 in the 2009-11 biennium.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

**A. Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

The Agriculture Department will establish a fee schedule for inspections and the agents will be reimbursed for actual expenses by the Agriculture Department. All funds collected will be deposited in the EARP Fund.

**B. Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

The Agriculture Department will collect all funds under the program and pay expenses of agents located throughout the state.

**C. Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

The appropriation amount from the EARP fund will need to be increased in HB1009 (Agriculture Commissioner budget) to allow the expenditures proposed by this bill. This bill makes no appropriation.

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