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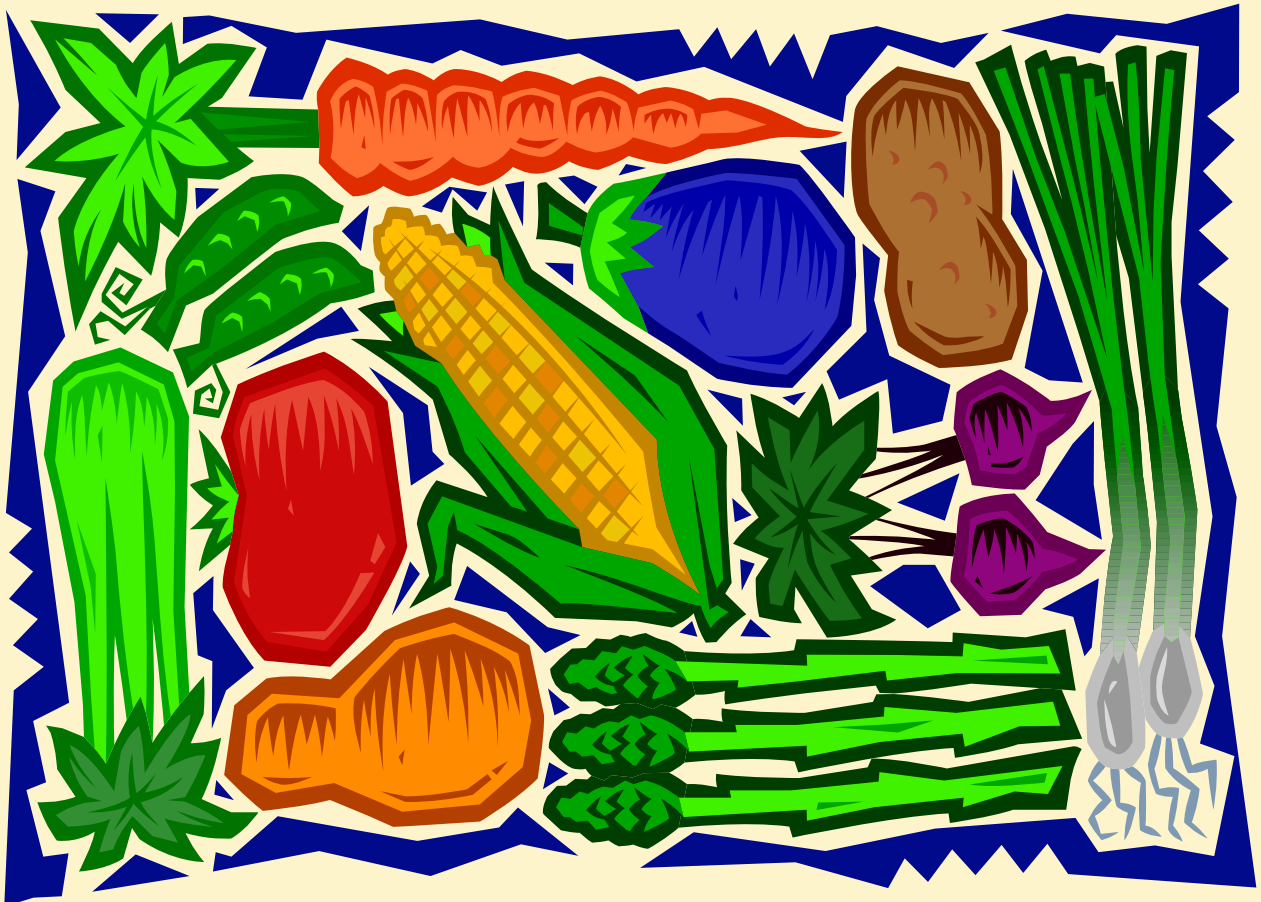
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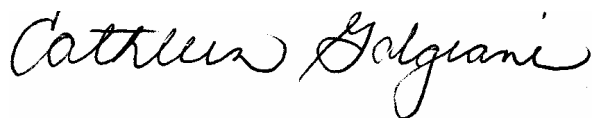
TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

The following report summarizes legislation referred to the Assembly Committee on Agriculture during the 2009-2010 legislative session and indicates the final status of each measure.

The Committee's primary jurisdiction extends to agricultural land use, commodity specific legislation, agricultural commissions and councils, the California Department of Food and Agriculture, fairs and expositions, agricultural marketing, pesticides, and food safety and labeling.

For additional information regarding this summary, or other activities of the Assembly Committee on Agriculture, please contact the Committee staff at 916-319-2084.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cathleen Galgiani". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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ASSEMBLY BILLS:

AB 21 (Krekorian) – Renewable energy sources.

As passed by the Committee, this bill, originally introduced by Assemblymember Bonnie Lowenthal, dealt with pesticides as it pertained to the study and report of methyl bromide. The language was replaced with language pertaining to the Election Code on September 4, 2009, thereby removing the bill from the Committee's jurisdiction. This language was replaced on September 12, 2009, with language pertaining to renewable energy resources, authored by Assemblymember Krekorian.

Vetoed by Governor.

AB 219 (Ruskin) – State Board of Food and Agriculture: member qualification and conflicts: pest control: plant quarantine inspection stations.

Increases the civil penalties to every operator of a motor vehicle from \$1,000 to \$2,500 per violation, for not obtaining a certificate of inspection when entering the State of California with a shipment of any agricultural commodity, provides exception to allow persons to serve on the State Food and Agriculture Board while serving on other boards; and, makes technical, non-substantive changes.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 343, Statutes of 2010.

AB 281 (De Leon) – California Citrus Pest and Disease Prevention Committee.

Creates the California Citrus Pest and Disease Prevention Committee (CCPDPC) preventing and controlling citrus diseases in California, and allows CCPDPC to levy fees within the California Department of Food and Agriculture, with the purpose of preventing and controlling citrus diseases in California, and allows CCPDPC to levy fees on citrus producers to pay for citrus disease detection and control programs. Contains an urgency clause, allowing this bill to take effect immediately upon enactment.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 426, Statutes of 2009.

AB 443 (Galgiani) – Apple pests: pest and disease prevention.

Requires the Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture to appoint a committee, and a scientific advisory panel, for the purpose of preventing the future introduction of identified pests and diseases related to the California apple industry; expands the California Apple Commission's (Commission) authority to include regulating apple movement and treatment to control new pests and diseases; and, requires the Commission to administer and fund the committee.

Vetoed by Governor.

AB 490 (Smyth) – Pet stores.

Revises the requirements for pet store operators and employees to kill rodents and rabbits intended as food for another animal and modifies the definition of a pet store.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 446, Statutes of 2009.

AB 494 (Caballero) – Local planning: agricultural laborer housing.

Prohibits any local government to enforce a required minimum parcel size when Williamson Act contracted land is to be subdivided and sold or leased for the purpose of farmworker housing, and creates other specified requirements.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 447, Statutes of 2009.

AB 512 (Yamada) – Agricultural land: Williamson Act: compatible uses.

Under the Williamson Act (Act), unless the board or council, after notice and hearing, makes a finding to the contrary, the erection, construction, alteration, or maintenance of gas, electric, water, communication, or agricultural laborer housing facilities are considered compatible uses on land under an Act contract, and no land occupied by any of those facilities may be excluded from an agricultural preserve by reason of that use. This bill would also include horse breeding and training facilities as a compatible use of land under an Act contract.

From Committee. Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to Joint Rule 56.

AB 537 (Arambula) – Farmers' markets: electronic benefit transfers.

This bill requires farmer's markets, flea markets and certified farmer's markets, to provide reasonable accommodations for food and nutrition service (FNS)-authorized produce sellers who wish to operate an electronic benefit transfer (EBT) acceptance system on behalf of its members. This bill also requires a market operator to allow and accommodate this FNS-authorized group or association in a reasonable manner that aids in the creation, implementation, and operation of their EBT acceptance system.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 435, Statutes of 2010.

AB 547 (Mendoza) – Commercial feed.

Extends the sunset date on the authority for both a license fee and a feed tonnage tax until January 1, 2015.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 245, Statutes of 2009.

AB 557 (Caballero) – California Organic Products Advisory Committee.

Adds a United States Department of Agriculture accredited certifier as a member to the California Organic Products Advisory Committee.

Vetoed by Governor.

AB 604 (De Leon) – Pest control: citrus disease prevention.

Authorizes the California Department of Food and Agriculture to spend, until June 30, 2010, any funds it has collected pursuant to the Citrus Disease Prevention law on citrus specific pest and disease programs, and contains an urgency. The bill, originally introduced by Assemblymember Jean Fuller, dealt with the San Joaquin Valley Quality Cotton District.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 17, Statutes of 2010.

AB 606 (Ma) – California Blueberry Commission.

Creates the California Blueberry Commission, with prescribed membership, powers, duties and responsibilities, and requires a positive referendum vote by blueberry producers and handlers, as specified, to activate.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 366, Statutes of 2009.

AB 622 (Swanson) – Pesticides: aerial application.

Establishes the "Clean air for Children, Seniors, and working Families Act," creating no less than a 3.3 mile safety zone for aerial applications, including drift, for residential areas and known sensitive sites such as schools, hospitals, day care centers, senior citizens centers, residential care homes and farm labor camps.

From Committee. Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to Joint Rule 56.

AB 735 (Committee on Agriculture) – California Wheat Commission.

Restructures the California Wheat Commission (Commission) membership from 15 district representatives to 13 district representatives and adds two at-large members who are knowledgeable of the industry; conforms districts by consolidating two districts, reducing them from 15 to 13; authorizes the Commission to change the number of districts by a two-thirds vote when proper notice is provided to all persons subject to this chapter and the action of the Commission is concurred in by the Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture; redefines a quorum as a majority of the commissioners; and, makes technical non-substantive changes.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 469, Statutes of 2009.

AB 835 (Monning) – Pesticides: volatile organic compound emissions.

Makes legislative findings and declarations regarding fumigants and pesticides, their impacts, costs and damages; the Department of Pesticide Regulation's failure to adopt VOC regulations; the independence of the California Air Resources Board (CARB); establishes a public hearing process for CARB dealing with emission data; changes the pesticide disclosure requirements and emission inventory baseline; and, requires removal of reclassified products from the baseline.

From Committee. Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to Joint Rule 56.

AB 856 (Caballero) – Fertilizing material: organic input material.

Expands current definitions and adds a new definition to the California Department of Food and Agriculture's fertilizer program statutes, adding new requirements, fees and penalties.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 257, Statutes of 2009.

AB 905 (Committee on Agriculture) – Agricultural commodities.

Changes proof of ownership requirements for commodities in general to 25 pounds, down from 200 pounds, and avocados specifically, down from 40 pounds to 25 pounds; permits commissioners to seize or take possession and maintain custody of commodities that are believed to be in violation of this section; and, makes conforming changes.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 487, Statutes of 2009.

AB 929 (Blakeslee) – Agricultural resources: grants.

Allows the Department of Conservation to make grants for agricultural conservation easements under certain conditions, in order to protect natural resources on agricultural lands that are compatible with agriculture.

In Senate Committee on Appropriations. Held under submission.

AB 945 (Committee on Agriculture) – Secretary of Food and Agriculture regulation: equine drugs: fruits, nuts, and vegetables standards.

Deletes alternative certificate options for an individual horse show, competition, or sale, thereby having all designated shows, competitions and sales under the purview of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, and extends the sunset for fruit and vegetable standardization to January 1, 2015.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 262, Statutes of 2009.

AB 1069 (Monning) – Plant pests: eradication: pesticide use: notice.

Requires telephone hotlines, used for reporting adverse health affects due to aerial pest eradication applications, to be toll free, staffed by knowledgeable public health personnel, and all health complaints to be entered into a data base.

Vetoed by Governor.

AB 1098 (Hagman) – Natural resources: resource conservation: Chino Agricultural Preserve.

California Wildlife, Coastal, and Park Land Conservation Act (Prop. 70) provides funding from the sale of bonds for the acquisition, development, rehabilitation, protection, or restoration of park, wildlife, coastal, and natural lands in California. The Act also authorizes the County of San Bernardino to exchange property it owns within the Chino Agricultural Preserve that was purchased with those bond funds under the same conditions. This bill would revise one of those conditions to alternatively require the property received in an exchange and all the proceeds from a sale be used for the improvement, operation, and maintenance of existing or replacement land within the Chino Preserve.

Double-referred to Assembly Committee on Local Government and Assembly Committee on Agriculture. In Assembly Committee on Local Government. Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author. Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to Joint Rule 56.

AB 1216 (Evans) – Honey.

Changes the definition of honey for labeling purposes to conform to new scientific standards.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 388, Statutes of 2009.

AB 1249 (Galgiani) – Inedible kitchen grease transporters: dead animal haulers.

Creates an exception upon the declaration of a state of emergency or a local emergency, to the rules governing the transportation of dead animals by licensed dead animal haulers, and extends the sunset date to January 1, 2016, for the California Department of Food and Agriculture's administration fee for the Inedible Kitchen Grease Program.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 280, Statutes of 2009.

AB 1255 (Tom Berryhill) – Agricultural seed: county seed enforcement subventions.

Extends, from January 1, 2010 to January 1, 2015, the repeal of the authority for state administration cost recovery and county subventions for enforcement provisions of the California Seed Law, for county activities pertaining to seed labelers, and for statewide compliance by counties for all seed produced within a county.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 281, Statutes of 2009.

AB 1401 (Ma) – Transition to Organics Act.

Creates the Transition to Organics Fund and the Transition to Organic Act, to assist farmers who are transitioning from conventional farming practices to certified organic practices and provides specified definitions and other related authority to operate the program.

Vetoed by Governor.

AB 1437 (Huffman) – Shelled eggs: sale for human consumption: compliance with animal care standards.

Prohibits selling shelled eggs for human consumption in California produced by egg-laying hens on farms not in compliance with animal care standards. Specifically, this bill prohibits shelled eggs from being sold for human consumption in California if the farm or location for production is not in compliance with California animal care standards beginning January 1, 2015. Violators may have a fine not to exceed \$1,000 or imprisonment in a county jail not to exceed 180 days, or by both the fine and imprisonment.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 51, Statutes of 2010.

AB 1441 (Committee on Agriculture) – Agricultural land: Williamson Act: lot lines.

Extends the authorization, from January 1, 2010 to January 1, 2011, when agreed upon by a city or county and a landowner, to rescind a Williamson Act contract and simultaneously enter into a new contract to facilitate lot line adjustments.

Chaptered by Secretary of State – Chapter 148, Statutes of 2009.

AB 1468 (Conway) – Biologics: licensure: registration.

Deletes and recasts the existing state biologics licensure law to cover animal blood and blood components and products; makes biologics production and biologics products subject to federal authority and permitting, in lieu of the state; requires the California Department of Food and Agriculture to assist producers of California biological products to become registered and licensed with the United States Department of Agriculture, Center for Veterinary Biologics.

From Committee. Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to Joint Rule 56.

AB 1488 (Hall) – Public health: food justice.

Requires, by July 1, 2010, the Department of Food and Agriculture, in consultation with the State Department of Public Health and the State Department of Social Services, to provide recommendations to the Legislature regarding actions that need to be taken to promote food justice in the state.

From Committee. Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to Joint Rule 56.

AB 1526 (Fletcher) – The Wildlife Center.

Requires the California Department of Food and Agriculture to inspect and issue an operating permit as the sole source licensing agency for the Wildlife Center.

From Committee. Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to Joint Rule 56.

AB 1587 (Committee on Agriculture) – Fairs.

Removes from the Business and Profession Code and places into the Food and Agriculture Code, provisions dealing with district agricultural associations, county fairs, and citrus fairs. These

provisions relate to locations, financial management, revenue sources, and duties for the Secretary of the Department of Food and Agriculture. Further, it changes the provisions for specified fairs to receive specified revenues. This bill contains an urgency clause.

Died at Desk without referral to committee.

AB 1709 (Conway) – Biologics: animal blood and blood component products: commercial blood banks for animals.

Deletes and recasts the existing state biologics licensure law to cover animal blood and blood components and products; makes biologics production and biologics products subject to federal authority and permitting, in lieu of the state; requires the California Department of Food and Agriculture to assist producers of California biological products to become registered and licensed with the United States Department of Agriculture, Center for Veterinary Biologics.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 235, Statutes of 2010.

AB 1721 (Swanson) – Pesticides: safe school zones.

Creates a prohibition for specific types of pesticide applications and purposes, within one-half or one-quarter mile of a school zone as defined, while exempting the State Department of Public Health and Vector Control from these restrictions.

In Committee on Agriculture. Set, first hearing. Held without recommendation. From Committee without further action.

AB 1795 (Committee on Agriculture) – Agriculture: California Citrus Advisory Committee: California Apple Commission: California Salmon Council: California Blueberry Commission.

Removes term limits for the members of the California Apple Commission; allows the California Salmon Council to present facts and negotiate on matters that affect the California Salmon Marketing and Development Act; conforms the California Citrus Advisory Committee to the California Citrus Pest and Disease Prevention Committee; adjusts the fiscal year/marketing season start date for the California Blueberry Commission; and, makes technical and conforming changes.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 365, Statutes of 2010.

AB 1891 (Committee on Higher Education) – Sustainable agriculture research and education.

Reestablishes two University of California programs: the Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program, and Biologically Integrated Farming System demonstration projects.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 200, Statutes of 2010.

AB 1910 (Committee on Agriculture) – Repasteurized milk: Milk Producers Security Trust Fund: future shipment coverage eligibility: handler default.

Authorizes repasteurized milk to be reprocessed and sold under certain specified conditions and restrictions in accordance with the Pasteurized Milk Ordinance; removes the California Department of Food and Agriculture's (CDFA) jurisdiction to notify producers, cooperative and others when a milk handler is in default; requires the Secretary of CDFA regarding a defaulting milk handler, to exhaust all administrative and legal remedies before seeking payment from the Milk Producers Security Trust Fund; and, makes technical changes.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 202, Statutes of 2010

AB 1912 (Evans) – California Apiary Research Commission.

Creates the California Apiary Research Commission with prescribed membership, powers, duties and responsibilities, and requires positive referendum vote by producers, as specified, to activate.
Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 585, Statutes of 2010.

AB 1960 (Ma) – Agriculture: fruits, nuts, and vegetables: California Grown Act.

Encourages the State of California and its agencies to purchase California produced, or produced and processed, fruit, nuts and vegetables if the price is equal to or less than, imported fruits, nuts and vegetables.

Referred to Senate Committee on Rules.

AB 1965 (Yamada) – Agricultural land: Williamson Act: lot line adjustments: contracts.

Extends the authorization, from January 1, 2011 to January 1, 2013, when agreed upon by a city or county and a landowner, to rescind a Williamson Act contract and simultaneously enter into a new contract to facilitate lot line adjustments; requires that an application to rescind a contract for lot line adjustments be processed to its completion if it is submitted before January 1, 2013; and, deletes outdated report language.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 60, Statutes of 2010.

AB 2000 (Hagman) – Rabies: vaccinations.

Exempts dog owners from vaccinating a dog if a licensed veterinarian determines, annually, that the dog's life would be endangered if given the canine antirabies vaccine.

Senate Committee on Appropriations. Held under submission.

AB 2122 (Mendoza) – Pesticides: regulations: continuing education.

Requires any regulations, adopted or amended, dealing with continuing education (CE) for any pesticide application or license, to include specific minimum course requirements and requires the Director of the Department of Pesticide Regulation to act within 15 business days to approve or reject CE courses.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 375, Statutes of 2010.

AB 2137 (Chesbro) – Fertilizing Material: labels.

Adds to the definitions of fertilizing material labels and labeling an exemption for certified lab analysis that show nutrient contents of compost, cocompost or mulch.

In Senate. To inactive file.

AB 2240 (Ma) – Agriculture: processors of farm products: dealers: licensing: fees.

Makes permissive the re-evaluation of fees for the Market Enforcement Branch (MEB); deletes outdated MEB fee structures and required reporting language; increases the base fees for licenses and complaints of purchasers of agricultural commodities for processing and those as a dealer/broker; permits the Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture to appoint a MEB advisory committee of producers and licensees to provide guidance in establishing the fees; and, makes technical and conforming changes.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 382, Statutes of 2010.

AB 2270 (Committee on Agriculture) – Horses: show, competition, and sale events: fees: registration.

Makes changes to the Equine Medication Monitoring Program (EMMP) related to the assessment of fees for multi-day horse show events; requires event managers of horse shows to complete an assessment report for the California Department of Food and Agriculture for each registered event, and keep event records for two years; clarifies that an event held over multiple consecutive days with the same manager and at the same site will be considered one event for the purposes of fee assessment; and, adds additional civil penalties for event managers that violate the requirements of the EMMP.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 137, Statutes of 2010.

AB 2595 (Huffman) – Irrigated agriculture: pesticide use: operator identification number: water quality; waste discharge requirements.

Prohibits county agricultural commissioners from issuing an operator identification number for the use of agricultural pesticides if the operator is in violation of specific water quality regulations.

In Senate. To inactive file.

AB 2607 (De Leon) – Pest control: shipments: wood pallets: study.

Requires the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) along with the University of California Cooperative Extension, to study the health and safety issues wood pallets used for shipping and risks they pose to the food supply; requires the study to evaluate sustainable and recyclable alternatives; requires CDFA, in conducting this study, to consult with the California Health and Human Services Agency and the California Environmental Protection Agency; and, requires a report of the findings and recommendations to the Legislature on or before February 1, 2012.

In Assembly Committee on Agriculture. Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author. From Committee without further action.

AB 2612 (Committee on Agriculture) – Food and Agriculture: Omnibus bill.

Deletes third party certifying requirement for pesticide container recycling; expands the rendering definition of a "collection center;" changes the collection centers' licensure expiration date; exempts registered collections centers from specified fees; authorizes promulgation of regulations to streamline organic registration; clarifies the administration of the State Organic Program (SOP); authorizes the development of an online SOP registration system; and, makes conforming changes.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 393, Statutes of 2010.

AB 2686 (Tom Berryhill) - Organic products: county agricultural commissioners: civil penalties.

Allows county agricultural commissioners to file a certified copy of a final decision with the court that directs the payment of a civil penalty pursuant to violations of the California Organic Products Act of 2003, and, if applicable, a copy of any order that denies a petition for a writ of administrative mandamus. Requires the court to enter judgment immediately upon that filing and at no cost.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 395, Statutes of 2010.

AB 2695 (Hernandez) – California Nursery Producers Commission.

Creates, subject to approval by an industry referendum, the 16-member California Nursery Producers Commission within the Department of Food and Agriculture to serve the marketing and research interests of the nursery industry in the state.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 605, Statutes of 2010.

AB 2720 (John A. Perez and Bass) – Public health: food access.

Creates the California Healthy Food Financing Initiative and fund for the purpose of expanding access to healthy foods in underserved communities by leveraging non-state funding options. Requires, by July 1, 2011, the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), in consultation with the State Department of Public Health and State Department of Social Services, to prepare recommended actions to be taken to promote food access within California and permits CDFA to coordinate efforts to implement the federal Healthy Food Financing Initiative and maximize its funding. This authority remains in effect until January 1, 2014.

Vetoed by Governor.

ACR 170 (Nielsen) – Williamson Act.

Recognizes the accomplishments and benefits of the California Land Conservation Act of 1965, known as the Williamson Act.

In Senate Rules Committee.

HR 34 (Galgiani) – Relative to Invasive Plant Pest and Disease Awareness Month.

Read and Adopted.

SENATE BILLS:

SB 2 (Wiggins) – Pest control: Pierce's Disease: glassy-winged sharpshooter.

Extends the Pierce's Disease and Glassy-winged Sharpshooter Board (board), upon a positive referendum vote; expands the use of funds to other designated pests or diseases, increases to 14% the amount of funds the California Department of Food and Agriculture and board may use for administrative costs; prohibits the use of General Funds for new research or outreach related to new designated pests and diseases; and, makes technical changes.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 325, Statutes of 2009.

SB 135 (Florez) – Animal abuse: tail docking.

Makes it a misdemeanor to cut the solid part of a cattle's tail, except when it must be removed in an emergency for the purpose of saving the animal's life or to relieve the animal's pain, and is done in accordance with the Veterinary Medicine Practices Act. Such actions are required to be reported to the California Department of Food and Agriculture within 30 days.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 344, Statutes of 2009.

SB 140 (Corbett) – Citrus Nursery Stock Pest Cleanliness Program.

Requires the California Department of Food and Agriculture to develop and establish the Citrus Nursery Stock Cleanliness program to protect citrus nursery source propagative trees from harmful pests and diseases. Contains an urgency clause, allowing this bill to take effect immediately upon enactment.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 639, Statutes of 2009.

SB 173 (Florez) – Food Safety: testing and recalls.

Allows the California Public Health Officer to implement regulations for voluntary recall of food that, without intervention, could transmit illnesses or cause a secondary illness or infection that can kill or cause serious health problems in people.

Vetoed by the Governor.

SB 362 (Florez) – Agriculture: victory garden growers.

Defines a victory garden grower as one who produces fruits, nuts, or vegetables, on one acre or less, for sale directly to the public, within fifteen miles of the garden, and excludes a garden's gross sales income from taxes. The original bill, also introduced by Senator Florez, dealt with milk pooling. The bill was amended with language pertaining to Victory Gardens on February 23, 2010.

In Assembly Committee on Agriculture. Held in Committee and under submission.

SB 562 (Florez) – Human food product: nontherapeutic antibiotics.

Requires a warning label on any commercial product derived from animals produced with non-therapeutic antibiotics sold for human consumption, and defines antibiotics and nontherapeutics as they pertain to animals raised for the production of commercial human food products, beginning January 1, 2011.

In Assembly Committee on Agriculture. Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

SB 671 (Runner) – Agricultural land: valuation.

Permits a county assessor to require a landowner to deposit a contingency payment when that landowner challenges the appraised value of land utilizing the conservation provisions of the Williamson Act. Prohibits these funds to be interpreted as a limitation for a city or county to recover their costs due to the cancellation process, and prohibits the formal review cost to be borne by the non-requesting parties.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 358, Statutes of 2009.

SB 715 (Wolk) – Agricultural land: Williamson Act.

Requires that a landowner, on either an initial or ongoing basis, provide information to the city or county directly related to compliance with a Williamson Act (Act) contract; establishes additional requirements for the subdivision of land under the Act; and, defines the term "for cause" in relationship to serving notice for non-renewal due to a landowner's noncompliance with a contract.

Double-referred to Assembly Committee on Agriculture and Assembly Committee on Natural Resources. In Assembly Committee on Agriculture. Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

SB 1085 (Runner) – 50th District Agricultural Association: joint powers agreement.

Allows the 50th District Agricultural Association (DAA), with the consent of the Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, to enter into a joint powers agreement with a Joint Powers Authority with the purpose of operating, maintaining and improving the 50th DAA.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 320, Statutes of 2010.

SB 1107 (Kehoe) – Water quality: interceptor and trap grease.

Requires the State Water Resources Control Board, before January 1, 2012, to develop, adopt, and implement regulations, that include specified requirements, for a manifest system to track the transportation of interceptor and trap grease; requires assessing fees to cover the cost of the program, creates a new fund for those fees, and describes use of those funds; defines interceptor and trap grease; adds violations of new provisions or regulations adopted to carry out those provisions as suspension or revocation of registration.

Set First Hearing. Hearing Canceled at the request of author.

SB 1138 (Cedillo) – Rendering and pet food: Rendering Industry Advisory Board.

Creates the Rendering Industry Advisory Board consisting of nine members appointed by the Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, and specifies their duties and responsibilities.

Set, Second Hearing. Held in committee and under submission.

SB 1142 (Wiggins) – Agricultural Resources: grants.

Authorizes the Director of the California Department of Conservation to make grants, from a source other than the California Farmland Conservancy Program Fund, for the acquisition of agricultural conservation easements, upon legislative appropriation. This bill requires the Director to determine that those grants are consistent with the purposes of the California Farmland Conservancy Act and requires that agricultural conservation easements funded by those grants meet specified requirements.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 323, Statutes of 2010.

SB 1176 (Aanestad) – Animals at large: estrays: estray laws.

Updates responsible party titles and references for cities and counties where estray laws or ordinances, or regulations, are in force. Permits any city or county, which has established laws, ordinances, or regulations for non-bovine estrays, to opt out of this chapter's requirements for those estrays and follow their laws, ordinances or regulations.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 325, Statutes of 2010.

SB 1177 (Kehoe) – Agriculture: 22nd District Agricultural Association: greenway zone.

Requires the 22nd District Agricultural Association to develop, manage and maintain a 100-foot wide greenway zone (greenway) along the San Dieguito River and develop a public access trail for the greenway.

Re-referred to Committee on Agriculture.

SB 1321 (Kehoe) – State Race Track Leasing Commission: Director of General Services: powers and duties.

Authorizes the Director of the Department of General Services and the Secretary of Food and Agriculture to each designate a deputy of his/her office to act in his/her place on the State Race Track Leasing Commission with respect to the exercise of the statutory powers and duties of the Commission.

Vetoed by Governor.

SJR 22 (Florez) – Horses.

Memorializes the United States Congress to support federal legislation to protect American horses from slaughter for human consumption.

Chaptered by Secretary of State, Resolution Chapter 135, Statutes of 2010.

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