

Fiscal Estimate - 2025 Session

☒ Original ☐ Updated ☐ Corrected ☐ Supplemental

LRB Number 25-3183/1	Introduction Number SB-0294	
Description labeling plants as beneficial to pollinators		
Fiscal Effect State: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; padding: 5px 0;"><div style="width: 30%;"><input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations</div><div style="width: 30%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues</div><div style="width: 35%;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs</div></div> Local: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; padding: 5px 0;"><div style="width: 30%;"><input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory</div><div style="width: 35%;">5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; padding: 5px 0;"><div style="width: 30%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts</div><div style="width: 30%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts</div><div style="width: 30%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Cities</div></div></div></div>		
Fund Sources Affected <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; padding: 5px 0;"><div style="width: 60%;"><input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS</div><div style="width: 35%;">Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations 20.115(7)(qc)</div></div>		
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill prohibits a person who sells plants at retail or provides plants to a user from labeling or advertising the plant as being beneficial to pollinators if the plant has been treated with and contains a certain concentration of insecticides that contain warnings about pollinator hazards on their labels. The bill would require the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) nursery inspection staff to respond to complaints of potential violations of the statute. Since this would be complaint-driven, it is uncertain whether DATCP would receive any, or numerous complaints each year.

In response to receiving a complaint, a Plant Pest and Disease Specialist Senior would perform an investigation into the allegations to document whether a violation of the statute occurred. It is assumed an investigation would include interviewing the complainant, visiting the site where the plant material was purchased, identifying the lot of plants in question, purchasing plants to provide sufficient floral material for testing, performing laboratory analysis for pesticides of concern, and preparation of a narrative documenting the findings of the investigation.

Fiscal assumptions for each complaint:

- 1) Salary @\$32.02 X 10 Hours = \$320.20
- 2) Fringe @43.27% = \$138.55
- 3) Purchase Plants for Testing (5-10 plants) @\$100
- 4) Laboratory Analysis @\$800
- 5) Supplies and Services (vehicle, mileage, cellphone, computer, etc.) @\$100

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Additional resources may be needed in the future if complaints and the related costs exceed DATCP's ability to absorb.