

Department of Food and Agriculture Budget No. 8570

Report No.	Legislative Report Title—Brief Summary of Reporting Requirements	Admin. Justification for Proposed Elimination or Modification	Committee Staff Comments
1	Report of findings concerning cost analysis and listing of priorities established by director and county sealers	Delete reporting requirement. The Division of Measurement Standards has not received a request for this information in numerous years. This report was relevant until the Legislature authorized counties to charge fees for registering weighing and measuring devices in 1982 (Section 12240), and while counties were receiving state General Fund subventions for quantity control activities as authorized by the Legislature in Section 12104.5, a practice that stopped in the late 1980's.	According to the Department of Food and Agriculture, this report has not been relevant since counties were authorized to charge fees for registering weighing and measurement devices.
2	Report naming fairs with respect to which the Department of Food and Agriculture has taken action on a determination that fairs are insolvent or are in imminent danger of insolvency	Delete reporting requirement: Recommend deletion from the Legislative report requirement list. Formal intervention is a rare occurrence and has not occurred in the recent past. There are only two instances in which Fairs and Expositions has formally exercised its intervention authority, both of which occurred on or before 1998. In the event of any intervention taking place, all interested parties would be updated on their status.	According to the Department, an annual report is unnecessary because unique delegations of authority to District Agricultural Associations have not been made and formal intervention has only been acted upon twice prior to 1998.
3	Report naming fairs that are delegated approval authority for such matters as the Department of Food and Agriculture may determine	Delete reporting requirement: Recommend deletion from the Legislative report requirement list. The Department of Food and Agriculture delegates authority uniformly to the boards of the 52 District Agricultural Associations. Unique delegations of authority to specific District Agricultural Associations have not been made and therefore this report is not applicable or of value.	Report 2 and 3 are the same report
4	Report on research projects proposed, approved projects awarded, status of ongoing research projects, findings achieved from completed research projects, and progress toward developing and implementing pest management alternatives in the state	Delete reporting requirement: The Exotic Pest Research Program is no longer in existence due to General Fund budget cuts that occurred in Fiscal Year 2002-03.	The Exotic Pest Research Program is no longer in existence due to General Fund budget cuts in FY 2002-03.

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5	Report, including recommended changes, as specified, on the effectiveness of subdivisions (a) and (e) of Section 54431 in successfully aiding the bargaining process between processors and cooperative bargaining associations	Delete reporting requirement: The report is now Delete reporting requirement and should be removed from the list.	According to the Department, the report to the Legislature has been completed and annual progress reports are only due to the Secretary. The Legislature may wish to ask the Department about the status of the advisory committee.
6	Report on status of Foreign Market Development Export Incentive Program for California Agriculture Act, including assessment of act's ability to create, maintain, or increase exports of California agricultural commodities	Delete reporting requirement: The Foreign Market Development Export Incentive Program was established by AB 1423 (Chapter 1189, Statutes of 1985). The principal aim was "to encourage and promote the sale of agricultural products of California to foreign markets and to assist farmers, processors, distributors and exporters in competing against the unfair trading practices of foreign competitors and trading partners." The Legislature further declared that "it is in the public's best interest to assist California agriculture in market development for agricultural products and to expand world trade in these products to maximize growth in the state's economy." AB 1423 stipulated a sunset date of January 1, 1990, unless otherwise changed by legislation. AB 1938 (Chapter 100, Statutes of 1990) amended the Food and Agricultural Code and removed funding associated with Foreign Market Development Incentive Program. Departmental funding for the program was eliminated in FY 05/06. The last report to the legislature was submitted in FY 91/92. - Elimination of Foreign Market Development Export Incentive Program funding. Based on the information listed above, the Department has fulfilled its reporting requirements. This report is now Delete reporting requirement and should be removed from the list.	According to the Department of Food and Agriculture, funding for the Foreign Market Development Export Incentive Program was eliminated in Fiscal Year 2005/06 and the last report submitted was in 1992.

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7	Report regarding department's expenditures, progress, and ongoing priorities with the "Buy California Program"	Delete reporting requirement. The first 2002 report was prepared by CDFA. Later reports were prepared by the Buy CA Program and submitted. This specialty crop block grant program is closed out and reporting requirements not required.	Updated information from the Department indicates that this program is still active. The Legislature may wish to retain this report.
8	Fuel Delivery Temperature Study	Delete reporting requirement. The California Energy Commission completed the report and posted recommendations on March 12, 2009. The report concluded that if the only criterion for assessing the merit of mandatory Automatic Temperature Compensating installations for use at California retail stations is a net benefit to consumers, ATCs should not be required since the cost benefit analysis showed a slight net cost for consumers.	This report was completed and submitted in 2009 and no longer exists in statute. No action is necessary.
9	Legislative Analyst Study of Civil Penalties	Delete reporting requirement. This Legislative Analyst study found that civil penalties are an effective enforcement tool and a feasible alternative to criminal prosecution and criminal penalties for violations of Division 5 of the Business and Professions Code.	The Legislative Analyst study was completed.