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AB-1506 Invasive pests: lists. (2025-2026)

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE— 2025–2026 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

NO. 1506

Introduced by Committee on Agriculture (Assembly Members Soria (Chair), Alanis (Vice Chair), Aguiar-Curry, Connolly, Jeff Gonzalez, Hadwick, Irwin, and Ransom)

February 26, 2025

An act to amend Section 5261 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to pests.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1506, as introduced, Committee on Agriculture. Invasive pests: lists.

Existing law requires the Department of Food and Agriculture to develop and maintain a list of invasive pests, as defined, that have a reasonable likelihood of entering California for which a detection, exclusion, eradication, control, or management action by the state might be appropriate.

This bill would require the department to post the list on its internet website.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 5261 of the Food and Agricultural Code is amended to read:

5261. The department shall ~~develop and maintain~~ *develop, maintain, and post on its internet website* a list of invasive pests that have a reasonable likelihood of entering California for which a detection, exclusion, eradication, control, or management action by the state might be appropriate. In developing the list, the department shall consider any invasive pests identified by the federal or state government for which a detection, exclusion, eradication, control, or management action might be undertaken.