



Bill Title: Pesticide Application Safety Work Group

Bill Number: E2SSB 6529

Effective Date: June 7, 2018

Amends: The bill does not impact current law and expires December 31, 2018

Summary

This bill creates a work group to develop recommendations for improving the safety of pesticide applications. Because the agency regulates producers who may use pesticides, sends staff to inspect licensed premises where pesticides may be present, and oversees marijuana testing labs that test for pesticides on marijuana products, there may be some minor impact on agency staff and/or operations. The LCB will monitor, rather than directly participate in, the activities of this work group.

- The group includes four legislators and one member from each of these state agencies: Agriculture, Health, Labor and Industries, Natural Resources and the Commission on Hispanic Affairs.
- The Departments of Health and Agriculture provide staff support to the work group.
- The directors of Health and Agriculture may invite other interested parties to play an advisory role in the project, such as users of airblast sprayers, aerial application and fumigation; pilots, farmworkers and labor; children's health advocates and environmentalists; University of Washington Latino Center for Health and Washington State University.
- The work group is directed to report findings, recommendations, and draft legislation by November 1, 2018

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