

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1266

Introduced by Assembly Member Nielsen

February 18, 2011

An act to amend Section 51239 of the Government Code, relating to local government.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1266, as introduced, Nielsen. Local government: Williamson Act: agricultural preserves: advisory board.

Existing law, the Williamson Act, authorizes a city or county to enter into contracts to establish agricultural preserves. Existing law also authorizes the legislative body of a city or county to appoint an advisory board to advise the legislative body on agricultural preserve matters.

This bill would specify matters on which the advisory board may advise the legislative body of a county or city. This bill would also state that the advisory board is not the exclusive mechanism through which the legislative body can receive advice on or address matters regarding agricultural preserves.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 51239 of the Government Code is
2 amended to read:
3 51239. The board or council may appoint an advisory board,
4 the members of which shall serve at the pleasure of the board or
5 council and may be paid their expenses. ~~They~~ *The advisory board*

1 shall advise the board or council on the administration of the
2 agricultural preserves in the county or city and on any matters
3 relating to contracts entered into pursuant to this chapter, *including,*
4 *but not limited to, program benefits, costs, amendments, and*
5 *landowner participation. This section shall not be construed to be*
6 *the exclusive manner in which the board or council may address*
7 *agricultural preserve matters or receive advice regarding*
8 *agricultural preserve matters.*

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