

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2888

**Introduced by Committee on Agriculture (Assembly Members
Dodd (Chair), Gallagher (Vice Chair), Eggman, Gray, Grove,
Irwin, Jones-Sawyer, Mathis, and Quirk)**

February 29, 2016

An act to amend Section 4401.5 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to fairs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2888, as introduced, Committee on Agriculture. State-supported fairs: food and fiber exhibits.

Existing law requires the Secretary of Food and Agriculture to expend up to \$100,000 in any fiscal year for an exhibit or exhibits at a state-supported fair that demonstrates the process of production and use of food and fiber and to annually provide for a conference of fair judges to aid the Department of Food and Agriculture in prescribing regulations for the judging of exhibits and for the premiums paid for all classes, sections, and types of exhibits, and authorizes the secretary to expend up to \$15,000 in any fiscal year for these purposes.

This bill would instead authorize rather than require the secretary to perform the above-specified functions.

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 4401.5 of the Food and Agricultural Code
- 2 is amended to read:

1 4401.5. (a) ~~The director shall~~ *secretary may* expend an amount
2 not to exceed a total of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)
3 in any fiscal year for any exhibit or exhibits located on any
4 state-supported fair demonstrating, in a creative and innovative
5 manner, the process of production and use of food and fiber from
6 the producer to the consumer in this state.
7 (b) ~~The director shall~~ *secretary may* annually provide for a
8 conference of fair judges to aid the department in prescribing
9 regulations adopted pursuant to Section 4501. ~~The director~~
10 *secretary may* expend up to fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) in
11 any fiscal year for ~~such~~ *these* purposes.