

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1483

Introduced by Assembly Member Anderson

February 27, 2009

An act to amend Section 6045 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to Pierce's disease.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1483, as introduced, Anderson. Pierce's disease.

Existing law, scheduled to become inoperative on March 1, 2011, establishes the Pierce's Disease Control Program in the Department of Food and Agriculture. Existing law also establishes the Pierce's Disease Management Account in the Food and Agriculture Fund, money in which is to be expended as specified to combat Pierce's disease and its vectors.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to this provision.

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 6045 of the Food and Agricultural Code
2 is amended to read:
3 6045. (a) The Legislature hereby finds and declares that the
4 plant killing bacterium, ~~Xylella Fastidiosa~~ *Xylella fastidiosa*, and
5 the resulting pathogen, Pierce's disease, and its vectors present a
6 clear and present danger to California's fifty billion dollar grape
7 industry, as well as to many other commodities and plant life.

- 1 (b) There exists an ongoing need for at least fifteen million
- 2 dollars (\$15,000,000) annually in research and programs to combat
- 3 Pierce's disease and its vectors in California.

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