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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2081

Introduced by Assembly Member Daly

February 20, 2014

An act to amend Section 5021 of, and to add Section 5027.5 to, the Public Resources Code, relating to historical resources.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 2081, as amended, Daly. Agricultural historical resources.

Existing law establishes the State Historical Resources Commission and the California Register of Historical Resources. Existing law requires the Department of Parks and Recreation to consider all recommendations for registration made by the commission, and requires the department to register, as state historical landmarks, those buildings, structures, sites, or places that the department deems to be important historical resources.

This bill would provide that, for these purposes, ~~upon the request of the landowner,~~ the term “places” includes, but is not limited to, living and producing vineyards, orchards, and groves. The bill would authorize an agricultural historical resource, such as a living and producing vineyard, orchard, or grove, to be treated or modified as per routine agricultural husbandry practices.

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

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

SECTION 1. Section 5021 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

5021. (a) The department shall consider all recommendations for registration made by the commission, and shall register, as state historical landmarks, those buildings, structures, sites, or places that the department deems to be important historical resources and shall register, as points of historical interest, those buildings, structures, sites, or places that the department deems to be historical resources of sufficient historical interest to qualify for the placement of signs pursuant to Section 5022.5. The commission shall maintain a register that shall identify by number and description historical landmarks and points of historical interest.

(b) The department may publish results of office and field archaeological investigation annually and shall issue additional publications, such as detailed site reports and area resource reports, as necessary, to inform the public and educational institutions.

(c) For the purposes of this section, ~~upon the request of the landowner,~~ “places” includes, but is not limited to, living and producing vineyards, orchards, and groves.

SEC. 2. Section 5027.5 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:

5027.5. An agricultural historical resource, such as a living and producing vineyard, orchard, or grove, may be treated or modified as per routine agricultural husbandry practices, including, but not limited to, cultivation, pruning, installation of new irrigation or trellising systems, replanting, or removal.