

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO SUPPORT INCREASED EFFICIENCY IN AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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**Appropriation Items of Note**

**Appropriation Already Added to Bill, No Amendment in Packet**

**General Fund Impact**

**Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date**

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 04/15/21.

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| <b>XXX</b> | <b>No Change:</b> Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill                 |
|            | <b>Update:</b> Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>new information or technical issues</i>                   |
|            | <b>Update:</b> Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>amendment adopted</i> after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared  |
|            | <b>Non-Concurrence:</b> JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill |

The Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee Report (05/13/21) includes amendments to the bill, however, Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the committee amendments do not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

**Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee**

| <b>Amendment</b> | <b>Description</b> |
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| None.            |                    |

**Current Appropriations Clause in Bill**

The bill includes an appropriation clause that appropriates a total of \$5,000,000 to the Department of Agriculture for FY 2020-21, including \$2,000,000 General Fund and \$3,000,000 cash funds from the Agriculture Value-Added Cash Fund.

## SB21-235

## JBC Staff Analysis

The provision also states that any funds appropriated from the Agriculture Value-Added Cash Fund not fully expended before July 1, 2021 remain available through FY 2021-22; and any appropriated General Fund not fully expended before July 1, 2021 remain available through December 1, 2022.

### Points to Consider

#### *General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee (JBC) has proposed a budget package for FY 2021-22 based on the March 2021 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The JBC has included as part of its FY 2021-22 budget package the \$5,000,000 General Fund revenue decrease, including a \$3,000,000 General Fund transfer and a \$2,000,000 General Fund appropriation, that would result from the passage of this bill. Specifically, the JBC package includes a place holder of \$800.0 million General Fund for those bills that are part of the "State Stimulus Package", and this bill is part of that package.