
SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6529

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By Senate Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Saldaña, Ranker, Cleveland, Rolfes, Van De Wege, Miloscia, Chase, Conway, McCoy, Hunt, Keiser, and Hasegawa)

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1 AN ACT Relating to establishing a pesticide application safety
2 work group; and creating a new section.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) A pesticide application safety work
5 group is established to develop recommendations for improving the
6 safety of pesticide applications.

7 (2) The work group is composed of:

8 (a) One member and one alternate from each of the two largest
9 caucuses in the senate, who shall be appointed by the majority leader
10 and minority leader of the senate;

11 (b) One member and one alternate from each of the two largest
12 caucuses in the house of representatives, who shall be appointed by
13 the speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives;

14 (c) One representative from each of the following agencies:

15 (i) The department of agriculture;

16 (ii) The department of health;

17 (iii) The department of labor and industries;

18 (iv) The department of natural resources; and

19 (v) The commission on Hispanic affairs.

20 (3)(a) The secretary of the department of health and the director
21 of the department of agriculture may invite individuals to

1 participate in the work group in an advisory capacity. There is no
2 limit to the number of individuals who may participate in work group
3 meetings in an advisory capacity under this subsection.

4 (b) The following may have an interest in participating in an
5 advisory role:

6 (i) An organization representing producers of a crop that uses
7 airblast sprayers;

8 (ii) An organization representing producers of a crop that uses
9 fumigation;

10 (iii) An organization representing producers of a crop that uses
11 aerial application;

12 (iv) An organization representing timber producers;

13 (v) An aerial applicator or pilot;

14 (vi) An organization representing farmworkers;

15 (vii) An organization representing labor;

16 (viii) An organization representing children's health advocacy;

17 (ix) An organization representing environmental interests;

18 (x) The University of Washington Latino center for health; and

19 (xi) Washington State University.

20 (4) The work group shall be cochaired by two of the legislative
21 members, one from each major party and one from each house.

22 (5) Staff support for the work group must be provided by the
23 department of health and the department of agriculture.

24 (6) Legislative members of the work group are reimbursed for
25 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative
26 members are not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they
27 are elected officials or are participating on behalf of an employer,
28 governmental entity, or other organization. Any reimbursement for
29 other nonlegislative members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

30 (7) The work group shall provide a report that includes any
31 findings, recommendations, and draft legislation, to the governor and
32 the appropriate committees of the legislature, by November 1, 2018.

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