

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 774

Introduced by Assembly Member Mathis

February 13, 2023

An act to amend Section 5261 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to pests.

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AB 774, as introduced, Mathis. Invasive pests: list.

Existing law requires the Department of Food and Agriculture to develop and maintain a list of invasive pests, defined to mean animals, plants, insects, and plant and animal diseases or groups of those animals, plants, insects, and plant and animal diseases where introduction into California would or would likely cause economic or environmental harm, that have a reasonable likelihood of entering California for which a detection, exclusion, eradication, control, or management action by the state might be appropriate.

This bill would require the department to post the list on its internet website.

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 5261 of the Food and Agricultural Code
- 2 is amended to read:
- 3 5261. The department shall ~~develop and maintain~~ *develop,*
- 4 *maintain, and post on its internet website* a list of invasive pests
- 5 that have a reasonable likelihood of entering California for which

- 1 a detection, exclusion, eradication, control, or management action
- 2 by the state might be appropriate. In developing the list, the
- 3 department shall consider any invasive pests identified by the
- 4 federal or state government for which a detection, exclusion,
- 5 eradication, control, or management action might be undertaken.