HB 1806-S - DIGEST

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 4TH SUB)

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction, in consultation with the department of health and the department of agriculture, to develop a model integrated pest management policy that emphasizes use of nonchemical pest control measures and allows use of high-hazard pesticides only as a last resort. The policy must be completed by March 1, 2008, and must be disseminated to all school districts and licensed day care centers. The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall review and, if appropriate, update the policy at least once every five years.

Does not limit the authority of a county health officer, state agency, mosquito control district, or noxious weed control board that is responsible for pest management decisions regarding school facilities to make decisions and take actions regarding those facilities.

Does not limit the authority of the director of a licensed day care center or the officers of a school district to establish pesticide application policies that are more restrictive than the policy provided by this act.

Requires the state board of health to adopt by rule a list of products that the board considers to pose a high hazard to the health of children or staff if applied in or on school facilities.

Provides that, in developing the list, the board shall include products that meet the criteria of toxicity category I or toxicity category II for pesticides as defined by the United States environmental protection agency in 40 C.F.R. Sec. 156.62 as it exists on the effective date of this act.