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By Representatives Schoesler, Chandler, Sheahan, Mulliken, Sheldon, Delvin, Foreman and Mastin

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1 AN ACT Relating to insect control; creating a new section; making
2 appropriations; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that surveys of
5 grasshopper populations conducted in 1994 demonstrated that over one
6 hundred twenty-two thousand acres of land in this state had economic
7 infestations of eight or more grasshoppers per square yard and that
8 agricultural lands were infested with significant numbers of Mormon
9 crickets. The legislature further finds that these infestations
10 provide a warning that a sharp and economically devastating increase in
11 grasshopper and Mormon cricket populations may soon occur. The purpose
12 of this act is to provide contingency funds for helping the
13 agricultural community combat such increased populations of
14 grasshoppers and Mormon crickets.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** There is appropriated to the department of
16 agriculture from the general fund, for the biennium ending June 30,
17 1995, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as
18 may be necessary, to provide state matching moneys for a program for

1 controlling grasshoppers or Mormon crickets or both grasshoppers and
2 Mormon crickets in which one-third of the moneys used in the program
3 are from state sources, one-third are from federal sources, and one-
4 third are from private sources.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** There is appropriated to the department of
6 agriculture from the general fund, for the biennium ending June 30,
7 1997, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, to provide state
8 matching moneys for a program for controlling grasshoppers or Mormon
9 crickets or both grasshoppers and Mormon crickets in which one-third of
10 the moneys used in the program are from state sources, one-third are
11 from federal sources, and one-third are from private sources. Any
12 amount of this appropriation that has not been expended by September
13 30, 1996, shall be allocated by the department to Washington State
14 University for studies or activities regarding the registration of
15 pesticides.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** There is appropriated to the department of
17 natural resources from the general fund, for the biennium ending June
18 30, 1995, the sum of fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may
19 be necessary, to provide state matching moneys for a program for
20 controlling grasshoppers or Mormon crickets or both grasshoppers and
21 Mormon crickets on state-owned lands in which one-half of the moneys
22 used in the program are from state sources and one-half are from
23 federal sources.

24 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** There is appropriated to the department of
25 natural resources from the general fund, for the biennium ending June
26 30, 1997, the sum of fifty thousand dollars to provide state matching
27 moneys for a program for controlling grasshoppers or Mormon crickets or
28 both grasshoppers and Mormon crickets on state-owned lands in which
29 one-half of the moneys used in the program are from state sources and
30 one-half are from federal sources. Any amount of this appropriation
31 that has not been expended by September 30, 1996, shall be allocated by
32 the department to Washington State University for studies or activities
33 regarding the registration of pesticides.

34 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** This act is necessary for the immediate
35 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the

1 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
2 effect immediately.

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