SENATE BILL REPORT

E2SHB 1127

As of April 1, 1997

Title: An act relating to integrated pest management.

Brief Description: Requiring integrated pest management.

Sponsors: House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Schoesler, Linville, Chandler, Grant, Mastin, Parlette, Buck, Sheahan, Thompson and Anderson).

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Ways & Means: 4/3/97.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Staff: Cathy Baker (786-7708)

Background: In 1991 the State of Oregon enacted legislation that required state agencies and institutions of higher education that have pest control responsibilities to implement an integrated pest management program.

The Council on Agriculture and the Environment developed a recommended definition of integrated pest management last summer. Members of the council provided a report to legislative committees during the interim.

Summary of Bill: Integrated pest management is defined. A policy is established for state agencies and institutions of higher education who have pest control responsibilities to implement integrated pest management responsibilities. Each enumerated state agency and college must provide training in integrated pest management to employees who have pest management responsibilities. Each of the enumerated agencies and colleges must designate an integrated pest management coordinator. Each designated coordinator serves on the Interagency Integrated Pest Management Coordinating Committee. The coordinating committee must meet at least two time per year.

The Department of Agriculture is to serve as chair to the coordinating committee and must provide a report to the Legislature once every biennium on the progress of the integrated pest management program.

If specific funding is not provided in the omnibus Appropriations Act by June 30, 1997, the definition of integrated pest management is retained but all requirements on state agencies are null and void.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.