

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SSB 5631

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Removing obsolete provisions in statutes administered by the department of agriculture.

**Sponsors:** Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senators Swecker, Hatfield, Haugen and Shin).

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**House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources**

**Background:** The Washington Department of Agriculture (WSDA) administers a wide range of programs relating to consumer protection, livestock, crops, pesticide regulation, and many others. Efficient administration requires periodic updating of these laws.

**Summary:** Theaters that sell popcorn must continue to disclose, at the point of sale, whether the flavoring is butter or is butter-like. A definition of butter in a section that no longer exists is replaced with its own definition of butter.

In the Commercial Feed Act, a reference is updated to the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act as to whether particular color additives are unsafe.

Authorized uses of the Grain Inspection Revolving Account are changed. The account continues to be used for paying expenses directly incurred by the grain inspection program. Authority for the account to be used during the 1993-95 biennium for departmental administrative expenses, and for up to 5 percent for research and promotion work including rate studies relating to wheat and wheat products, is removed.

A reference to a repealed a section of law is replaced with a reference to the current code that has to do with what happens when stray livestock are impounded.

Certain pesticides must be distinctly denatured as to color, taste, odor, or form, if required by rule of WSDA.

The requirements that WSDA annually publish results of official pesticide samples is repealed.

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The requirement that dealers who sell gasoline with greater than 1 percent by volume of ethanol or methanol must place a label on the dispensing device is repealed.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	48	0
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House	98	0

**Effective:** June 7, 2012