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Declares an intent to phase out the department of agriculture's practice of using funds from the fruit and vegetable inspection account for the payment of the department's general and overhead expenses.

Declares an intent that the department's general and overhead expenses are paid from the state's general fund.

Provides that, for each fiscal year in the 2005-2007 biennium, the director may authorize the use of up to two hundred fifty thousand dollars from the account for payment of general and administrative expenses of the department, but only if the use of the funds provides some benefit to the fruit and vegetable inspection program.

Provides that, for each fiscal year in the 2007-2009 biennium, the director may authorize the use of up to one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars from the account for payment of general and administrative expenses of the department, but only if the use of the funds provides some benefit to the fruit and vegetable inspection program.