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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1471

By: Representative Hillman

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ABANDONED AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDE DISPOSAL ACT; TO CLARIFY THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND THE STATE PLANT BOARD; TO AMEND THE AMOUNT OF THE ABANDONED PESTICIDE DISPOSAL FEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 8-7-1206(a)(1), concerning the Abandoned Pesticide Disposal Fee per registered pesticide, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) Moneys received into the Abandoned Agricultural Pesticide and Plant Regulator Disposal Trust Fund shall be from gifts, grants, or funds from entities other than the State Plant Board and from a fee ~~of fifty dollars (\$50.00)~~ not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100) established by rule by the State Plant Board per registered pesticide per registrant per year ~~levied by the State Plant Board~~ for the specific purpose of funding the disposal of abandoned pesticides.



SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 8-7-1206(a)(5), concerning utilization of the moneys within the Abandoned Agricultural Pesticide and Plant Regulator Disposal Trust Fund, is amended to read as follows:

(5) Moneys received into the fund shall be utilized by the ~~State Plant Board~~ Department of Agriculture, as authorized by the Abandoned Pesticide Advisory Board, to pay for projects and other activities relating to the collection and disposal of abandoned pesticides and for administrative support.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 8-7-1206(b), concerning administration of the program relating to the collection and disposal of abandoned pesticides, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) The ~~State Plant Board~~ department shall administer the program relating to the collection and disposal of abandoned pesticides, as authorized by the Abandoned Pesticide Advisory Board.

(2) The duties of the ~~State Plant Board~~ department shall include:

(A) Developing and issuing requests for proposals from contractors to collect and dispose of abandoned pesticides;

(B) Contracting for the collection and disposal of abandoned pesticides; and

(C) Paying contractors for services relating to the collection and disposal of abandoned pesticides.

**APPROVED: 3/15/21**