

By the Committee on General Government Appropriations; and
Senator Alexander

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to agriculture; amending s. 570.191, F.S.;
3 providing that money in the Agricultural Emergency
4 Eradication Trust Fund be made available under certain
5 circumstances; repealing s. 570.1911, F.S., relating to
6 notice of certification of an agricultural emergency;
7 providing an effective date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11 Section 1. Section 570.191, Florida Statutes, is amended to
12 read:

13 570.191 Agricultural Emergency Eradication Trust
14 Fund.--There is created in the office of the commissioner the
15 Agricultural Emergency Eradication Trust Fund. Funds in the trust
16 fund may be made available for the promotion, advancement, and
17 protection of agriculture in this state, including maintaining or
18 increasing market share and suppressing or eradicating wildfire,
19 animal or plant disease, insect infestation, or a plant or pest
20 that endangers or threatens agriculture ~~upon certification by the~~
21 ~~commissioner that an agricultural emergency exists and that funds~~
22 ~~specifically appropriated for the emergency's purpose are~~
23 ~~exhausted or insufficient to eliminate the agricultural~~
24 ~~emergency. The term "agricultural emergency" means an animal or~~
25 ~~plant disease, insect infestation, or plant or pest endangering~~
26 ~~or threatening the horticultural, aquacultural, or other~~
27 ~~agricultural interests in this state.~~

28 Section 2. Section 570.1911, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

29 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.