

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2745

Introduced by Assembly Member Strickland

February 20, 2004

An act to add Section 9640 to the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to animal diseases.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2745, as introduced, Strickland. Animal diseases: quarantines: Contagious Equine Metritis.

Existing law allows the Secretary of Agriculture to establish any quarantine, sanitary, and police regulations that may be necessary to circumscribe and exterminate any contagious, infectious, or transmissible disease that affects domesticated animals within the state.

This bill would allow the Department of Agriculture, upon adopting regulations, to grant, deny, and rescind licenses for private facilities to provide precautionary quarantines intended to prevent the spread of Contagious Equine Metritis and other diseases of imported animals. The bill would require the department to impose fees that cover, but do not exceed, the complete costs of regulating, overseeing, and administering this provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 9640 is added to the Food and
- 2 Agricultural Code, to read:

1 9640. Upon the adoption of regulations implementing this
2 section, the department may, at its sole discretion, grant, deny, and
3 rescind licenses for private facilities to provide precautionary
4 quarantines intended to prevent the spread of Contagious Equine
5 Metritis and other diseases of imported animals. The department
6 shall impose fees that cover, but do not exceed, the complete costs
7 of regulating, overseeing, and administering this section.

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