

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1680
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Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The Agricultural Resources Protection Authority (ARPA) has required annual meetings and has well-defined responsibilities and established communication avenues with regard to pesticide regulations between all state agencies involved in pesticide regulation. Over the past several years, the usefulness and necessity of ARPA has declined to the point where it is no longer economically feasible to continue ARPA.

As proposed, S.B. 1680 repeals Section 76.009, Agriculture Code, thereby terminating ARPA.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

This bill repeals Section 76.009 (Agricultural Resources Protection Authority), of the Agriculture Code.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.