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TO: Honorable Charles Perry, Chair, Senate Committee on Water & Rural Affairs

FROM: John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director
Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB979 by Hughes (Relating to including cuttings as a form of propagation for citrus budwood and citrus nursery stock certification programs.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Agriculture Code to expand the definition of citrus nursery to include a producer of citrus trees propagated from cuttings. Under current law, a citrus nursery is defined as a producer of citrus trees propagated through budding or grafting. The Department of Agriculture has indicated that the provisions of the bill could be implemented with existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 551 Department of Agriculture

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