

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: RCS 04/01/2009

The Committee on Regulated Industries (Dean) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 1770 and 1771 insert:

Section 53. Subsection (4) of section 573.118, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

573.118 Assessment; funds; audit; loans.-

(4) In the event of levying and collecting of assessments, for each fiscal year in which assessment funds are received by the department, the department shall maintain records of collections and expenditures for each marketing order separately within the

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state's accounting system. If requested by an advisory council, department staff shall cause to be made a thorough annual audit of the books and accounts by a certified public accountant, such audit to be completed within 60 days after the request has been received end of the fiscal year. The advisory council department and all producers and handlers covered by the marketing order shall be provided a copy of the properly advised of the details of the annual official audit of the accounts as shown by the certified public accountant within 30 days of the completion of the audit.

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> ======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========== And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 161

and insert: 26

> Arthropods; amending s. 573.118, F.S.; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to maintain certain records relating to marketing orders; requiring the department to conduct audits relating to marketing orders upon the request of an advisory council; amending s. 581.011, F.S.; deleting