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The Attorney General of California has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

**REQUIRES ENACTMENT OF MEASURES TO REDUCE THE USE OF NON-ORGANIC FUNGICIDES, HERBICIDES, INSECTICIDES, AND FUMIGANTS.**

**INITIATIVE STATUTE.** Requires Governor and Legislature to enact measures to: (1) reduce by 3% annually the use of fungicides, herbicides, insecticides, and fumigants that do not conform with federal organic standards (with reduction applicable to agricultural, forestry, residential, and governmental uses); and (2) levy 0.1% assessment on non-conforming products to fund research into reducing their use. Requires research funds be distributed equally between governmental and non-governmental entities, with no more than 0.1% of total allocated to a single project.

Requires annual publication of progress reports. Fiscal Impact: **It is the opinion of the Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance that the measure would result in a substantial net change in state and local finances.** (19-0020A1.)

19-0020 Amdt. # 1

October 20, 2019

Xavier Becerra, Attorney General  
Office of the Initiative Coordinator

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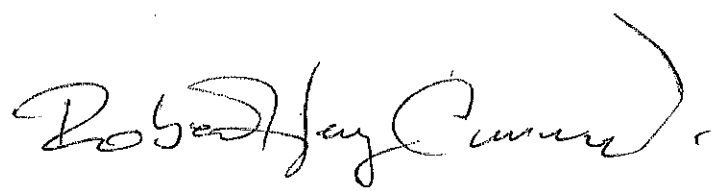
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INITIATIVE COORDINATOR  
ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Dear Anabel Renteria:

Request for amendment of 19-0020

Please accept inclusion of this omission in the body of Organic California 2050 stamped as received October 7, 2019, serial # 19-0020.



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# ORGANIC CALIFORNIA 2050

We the people of the State of California direct the duly elected Governor with the assistance of elected and associated officers to enact protocols resulting in:

1) An annually progressive reduction of three percent use by commercial and domestic agriculture, forestry, residential and governmental applicators of all fungicides, herbicides, insecticides and fumigants not conforming with the National Organic Program(NOP) as executed by the United States Department of Agriculture(USDA). A 90% conformity of mentioned inputs with the (NOP) by the year 2050 as the expected result.

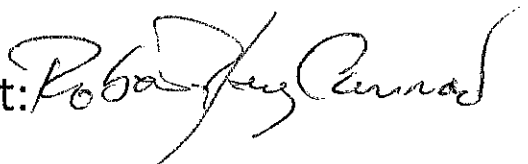
2) Progress reports published annually to the people in an accurate, unclouded, understandable manner.

3) Assessment of a levy of one tenth of one percent (one dollar per thousand) on all fungicides, herbicides, insecticides, fumigants and fertilizers not conforming with

the (NOP) used in the state supporting research dedicated towards the reduction of assessed products.

4) Research grants awarded equally to governmental and independent entities with a limit of one tenth of one percent of total funds garnered per research application annually. Progress reports published in the public forum annually.

Without further ado, we place our trust in state and county officials to honestly enact the directives of this measure beginning in the year 2021 resulting in a cleaner, healthier State of California by 2050.

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27 September 2019



19-0020

November 26, 2019

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Attention: Ms. Anabel Renteria  
Initiative Coordinator

INITIATIVE COORDINATOR  
ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Dear Attorney General Becerra:


Pursuant to Elections Code Section 9005, we have reviewed a proposed initiative related to the use of fungicides, herbicides, insecticides, and fumigants (A.G. File No. 19-0020, Amendment No. 1).

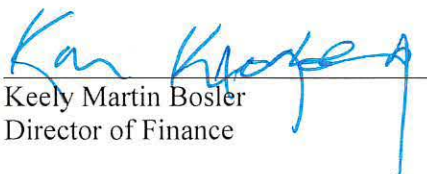
The measure intends to limit the use of fungicides, herbicides, insecticides and fumigants that do not conform with the National Organic Program administered by the United States Department of Agriculture. Specifically, the measure directs the Governor, with assistance from other elected and appointed officials, to enact protocols to annually reduce the usage of these products by agricultural, governmental, and residential applicators by three percent.

Pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 9005 of the Elections Code, we are informing you that, in our opinion, a reasonable estimate of the net fiscal impact of this proposed initiative measure cannot be prepared within 50 calendar days. Given the considerable uncertainties regarding how the measure would be implemented, how various economic sectors would respond over the longer term, and how the federal government might respond, the full scope of the changes this measure would put in place is highly uncertain.

As required by Section 9005, we are informing you that it is our opinion that the measure would result in a substantial net change in state and local finances.

Sincerely,

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Legislative Analyst

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Director of Finance

  
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