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3	BY REQUEST OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING PESTICIDE REGISTRANTS TO SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE A COPY OF THE TESTS AND RESULTS OF PESTICIDE LEACHABILITY TESTS: REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE COPIES OF TESTS AND TEST RESULTS TO INTERESTED PERSONS; AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT TO CHARGE A FEE COMMENSURATE WITH COSTS FOR OBTAINING AND PROVIDING THE INFORMATION; AND AMENDING

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STATEMENT OF INTENT

SECTIONS 80-8-201, 80-8-303, AND 80-15-302, MCA."

A statement of intent is required for this bill because [section 1] grants rulemaking authority to the department of agriculture. The department shall adopt rules identifying the characteristics of pesticides that contribute to a significant potential to impair ground water, including but limited to pesticide mobility and a pesticide's persistence in the subsurface and in the environment generally. The department may also adopt rules identifying specific ingredients in pesticides that are known to have significant potential to impair ground water. The purpose of these rules is to identify those pesticides and ingredients



for which pesticide registrants must submit 1 department of agriculture a copy of the tests and results of pesticide leachability tests. 3

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 80-8-201, MCA, is amended to read:

*80-8-201. Registration. (1) Everv pesticide distributed, sold, or offered for sale within this state or delivered for transportation or transported in intrastate commerce or between points within this state shall be registered with the department. The registration shall be renewed annually by the manufacturer, formulator, or 12 13 distributor of the pesticide. The department shall register 14 all federally approved pesticides, and those registered are 15 subject to registration fees and all other provisions of 16 this chapter. All registrations of pesticides expire on 17 December 31 following the date of issuance unless otherwise terminated. 18

- 19 (2) The applicant for registration shall file with the 20 department a statement including:
- 21 (a) the name and address of the applicant and the name 22 and address of the person whose name will appear on the 23 label, if other than the registrant;
 - (b) a complete copy of the label of the pesticide, the United States environmental protection agency registration

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- number if the pesticide is so registered, and a statement of all claims to be made for it, including directions for use;
- (c) the trade and chemical name of the pesticide:

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- (d) a full description of tests and results on pesticide leachability for pesticides that have significant potential to impair ground water. The department shall adopt rules identifying the characteristics of pesticides that contribute to significant potential to impair ground water, and the department may identify pesticide ingredients known to have significant potential to impair ground water.
 - td)(e) if requested by the department, a full description of tests made, other than the tests specified in subsection (2)(d), and the results upon which the claims are based. In the case of renewal of registration, a statement shall be required only with respect to information which is different from that furnished when the pesticide was registered or last reregistered.
 - (3) Upon the written request of any person, the department shall obtain and provide a copy of tests, test results, formulas, and certified analytical standards referenced in subsections (2)(d), (2)(e), and (6) that are not otherwise protected by the confidentiality requirements of 80-8-107 and 80-15-108. The department may charge a fee commensurate with the costs of obtaining and providing the requested information. Fees collected by the department

- 1 under this subsection must be deposited in the department of 2 agriculture agricultural chemical ground water protection 3 special revenue account established by 80-15-301.
- (3)(4) Any pesticide imported into this state which is subject to the provisions of any federal act providing for the registration of pesticides and has been registered under the provisions of a federal act shall be registered in the state. However, the state may restrict the sale or use and application of the pesticide by type of dealer, applicator, time, and place and may establish special registrations of pesticides as outlined in subsection (8) (9) of this section 12 and 80-8-105(3). The annual registration fee must also be 13 paid, and registration information required by the department must be provided.
 - (4)(5) The applicant shall pay an annual fee of \$75 for each pesticide registered. A registration fee is not required to register a federally approved experimental use permit. Fees collected shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the general fund.
 - (5)(6) The department may require the submission of the complete formula and certified analytical standards of any pesticide. If it appears to the department that the composition of the article warrants the proposed claims for it and if the article and its labeling and other material required to be submitted comply with the requirements of

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1 80-8-202, it shall register the article.

2 (6)(7) If it does not appear to the department that the 3 article warrants the proposed claims for it or if the article and its labeling and other material required to be submitted do not comply with this chapter, it shall notify 6 the applicant of the manner in which the article, labeling, 7 or other material required to be submitted fails to comply 8 with the chapter so as to afford the applicant an 9 opportunity to make the necessary corrections. If the 10 applicant does not make the corrections upon receipt of the notice, the department may refuse to register the article. 11 12 The department may suspend or cancel the registration of a 13 pesticide whenever it does not appear that the article or 14 its labeling comply with this chapter or whenever scientific 15 evidence proves that the article endangers man or the 16 general environment afforded protection under 17 80-8-105(3)(a). When an application for registration is 18 refused or the department proposes to suspend or cancel a 19 registration, the registrant may pursue administrative 20 remedies under the Montana Administrative Procedure Act and rules of the department. 21

(7)(8) Registration is not required in the case of a pesticide shipped from one plant in this state to another plant in this state by the same person.

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(9) (a) The departments of health and environmental

sciences, agriculture, and fish, wildlife, and parks shall 2 review a11 applications for registration of an 3 experimental-use permit or a registration for special local needs. The applicant shall pay a one-time fee of \$75 for a 5 special local need or experimental-use permit registration. 6 The departments shall utilize the same requirements and 7 standards for reviewing registrations established by the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as 9 amended, and regulations adopted thereunder. The department 10 of agriculture shall provide the departments of health and 11 environmental sciences and fish, wildlife, and parks with a 12 complete copy of the application, related correspondence, 13 and a statement of the department of agriculture's proposed 14 action on the application. The departments of health and 15 environmental sciences and fish, wildlife, and parks shall 16 approve or disapprove the application within 10 days after 17 the receipt of the application. If the departments of health 18 and environmental sciences, agriculture, and fish, wildlife, 19 and parks are in agreement with the proposed registration, the department of agriculture shall issue the registration. 20

(b) The department of agriculture shall establish a time and place for an interagency conference for the purposes of resolving the registration of any pesticide or device. If two of the departments approve the proposed registration, the department of agriculture shall issue the

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- (c) The registrant applying for registration shall be notified as to proposed changes in registration. If the departments cannot resolve the proposed registration following the interagency conference, the registrant may request a joint administrative hearing before the departments of agriculture, health and environmental sciences, and fish, wildlife, and parks.
- (d) Following the interagency conference and, if requested, the administrative hearing, if the proposed registration of a pesticide or device has not been resolved, the department of agriculture shall appoint an advisory council as outlined in 80-8-108 to resolve by majority vote the registration of any pesticide. The advisory council's recommendations on the registration shall be accepted by the departments and implemented by the department of agriculture.
- f9}(10) Pesticides registered under any federal law when canceled for sale and use in total or in part by a federal agency responsible for registration are considered canceled in total or in part for sale and use in Montana. The cancellation is effective on the final date of sale or use allowed under the federal law and rules or orders of the federal agency. If the federal cancellation allows existing stock to be used past the final date of cancellation, such

sale or use in this state may not exceed 2 years. The 1 department shall provide technical assistance to any person 2 in possession of such products to insure their proper 3 disposal, relabeling, or removal." 4

Section 2. Section 80-8-303, MCA, is amended to read:

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*80-8-303. Embargo. (1) Whenever a duly authorized agent of the department of agriculture finds or has probable cause to believe that any pesticide or device is adulterated or misbranded, has not been registered under the provisions of 80-8-201(5)(6), fails to bear on its label the information required by this chapter, or is a white powder pesticide and is not colored as required under this chapter, he shall affix to such article a tag or other appropriate marking giving notice thereof and stating that the article has been detained or embargoed and warning all persons not to remove or dispose of such article by sale or otherwise until permission for removal or disposal is given by such agent or the court. Any person who removes or disposes of such detained or embarqued article by sale or otherwise, without prior permission, or removes or alters the tag or 20 21 marking, is quilty of a misdemeanor and may be charged 22 accordingly or may be subjected to appropriate administrative proceedings, or both. 23

(2) When an article detained or embargoed subsection (1) has been found by such agent to be in

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violation, if after 30 days the violation has not been resolved, he may petition the district court in whose jurisdiction the article is detained or embargoed for a condemnation of such article. When such agent has found that an article so detained or embargoed is not adulterated or misbranded, he shall remove the tag or other marking.

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(3) If the court finds that a detained or embargoed article is in violation of this chapter or rules adopted thereunder, such article shall after entry of the decree be destroyed at the expense of the claimant thereof, under the supervision of such agent, and all court costs and fees and storage and other proper expenses shall be assessed against the claimant of such pesticide or device or his agent, provided that when the adulteration or misbranding can be corrected by proper labeling or processing of the article, the court, after entry of the decree and after such costs, fees, and expenses have been paid and a good and sufficient bond has been executed, conditioned upon the proper labeling or processing of such pesticide or device, may by order direct that such article be delivered to the claimant thereof for such labeling or processing under the supervision of an agent of the department. The expense of such supervision shall be paid by claimant. The article shall be returned to the claimant of the pesticide or device on the representation to the court by the department that

- the article is no longer in violation of this chapter and that the expenses of such supervision have been paid."
 - Section 3. Section 80-15-302, MCA, is amended to read:
 - *80-15-302. Special funding. (1) A fee of \$15 is assessed for the registration of pesticides in addition to the fee imposed by 80-8-201+4+(5).
 - (2) A fee of \$10 is assessed for the registration of fertilizers in addition to the fee imposed by 80-10-201(1). The additional fee must be used for the ground water protection responsibilities of the department relating to fertilizers. Revenues collected from this fee must be credited to the commercial fertilizer account within the state special revenue fund for the administration of this chapter."

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for SB0185, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

This bill: 1) requires pesticide registrants to submit to the Department of Agriculture a copy of the tests and results of pesticide leachability tests; 2) requires the department to provide copies of tests and test results to interested persons; and 3) authorizes the department to charge a fee commensurate with costs for obtaining and providing the information.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. Department of Agriculture must adopt rules to identify those pesticides for which registrants must submit tests and results on leachability of pesticides. Estimate of costs \$210. Department will assume this expenditure.
- 2. Required tests and studies will primarily involve EPA required registration data from registrants.
- 3. There are 35 pesticide products registered in Montana that are known to leach into groundwater under certain conditions. There is \$1,350 in one-time FY92 costs for three file cabinets.
- 4. Any person may request copies of studies. Estimate 30 requests for summary of studies and 10 requests for complete studies per year, which will cost \$815. Fees of a like amount will be charged.
- 5. Revenues deposited in state special revenue fund established by 80-15-301, MCA.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Department of Agriculture:

		FY 92			FY 93	
Expenditures:	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference
Operating Costs	0	2,165	2,165	0	815	815
<u>Funding:</u>						
General Fund	0	1,350	1,350	0	0	0
State Special	0	<u>815</u>	815	0	<u>815</u>	<u>815</u>
Total	0	2,165	2,165	0	815	815
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Revenues:			0.7.5			
State Special	O	81 5	815	0	815	815

LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

Costs of fining studies, summarizing studies, numbers of requests from the public may increase in the future. Request for information under NCA 80-8-201 (3)(e) and (6) was not possible to determine.

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Fiscal Note for <u>SB0185</u>, as introduced