

HB 2684 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires school boards to review, update, and post online the integrated pest management plan and the low-impact pesticide list every five years. The measure requires such plans and lists adopted prior to the effective date of the act to be updated either by January 1, 2027, or within five years of the most recent approval. The measure also modifies the definition of campus to include school gardens.

Fiscal impact: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

Revenue impact: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Current timeframe for reviewing the integrated pest management plan
- The list for pesticides and pest control use in schools
- Addition of school gardens in schools

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 The amendment allows school boards to include the integrated pest management plan in the healthy and safe schools plan posted on the school board's website. It removes the requirement for school boards to review, update, and readopt the low-impact pesticide list.

BACKGROUND:

Integrated Pest Management plans (IPM) use information on the life cycles of pests and their interaction with the environment in combination with available pest control methods to manage pest damage by economical means with the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment.

In 2009, [Senate Bill 637](#) required school boards to adopt an IPM plan for each school. In addition to the IPM plan, a school board must adopt of a low impact pesticides list for each school which lists pesticides for use in the IPM plan.