

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 2809

Relating to pesticide registration fees

To:	Ways and Means Full Committee
From:	Natural Resources Subcommittee
Carrier:	Representative Levy

HB 2809 increases the statutory cap for pesticide product registration fees that the Department of Agriculture is statutorily authorized to charge from \$400 to \$550.

The cap was last increased in 2015, and the current cap is expected to be met in the next fee increase cycle, effective January 1, 2026. The increase is necessary for program sustainability to fulfill the regulatory compliance functions which protect the environment and public health.

The Department's budget bill, SB 5502, assumes passage of HB 2809 and includes \$1.2 million in estimated Other Funds revenue for the 2025-27 biennium.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends HB 2809 be reported out do pass.