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1 AN ACT Relating to the safe foods initiative at Washington State
2 University; adding a new section to chapter 28B.30 RCW; creating a new
3 section; and making appropriations.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that Washington's
6 agricultural industry needs to enhance public confidence in its food
7 production system to preserve and expand its markets both domestically
8 and globally. A targeted applied agricultural research initiative will
9 boost Washington's economy, strengthen its agricultural industry,
10 protect food crops from devastating pests, and enhance consumer
11 confidence in its food supplies.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.30 RCW
13 to read as follows:

14 The safe foods initiative at Washington State University is hereby
15 established for the following purposes:

16 (1) To promote safe food products for domestic and global markets,
17 Washington State University shall establish faculty and related support
18 positions in the following areas: Food microbiology; postharvest

1 vegetable quality science; food safety information; cereal chemistry;
2 and animal disease and food safety science;

3 (2) To protect food crops from devastating pests:

4 (a) The commission on pesticide registration shall fund projects in
5 integrated pest management in nonchemical control measures in
6 agriculture, natural resources, and urban environment; and

7 (b) Washington State University shall establish faculty and related
8 support positions in: Tree fruit entomology; drylands cropping
9 systems; weed science; vegetable pathology; tree fruit pathology;
10 insect biological control and integrated pest management; and soil
11 fertility and microbiology; and

12 (3) To create high-quality, economically viable, safe food
13 production systems, Washington State University shall establish faculty
14 and related support positions in: Rangeland management; livestock
15 extension education; range and livestock management; urban/rural
16 agricultural issues; agricultural animal waste management and
17 environmental quality; animal waste management; wheat breeding
18 technicians; and reproductive biology.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1) The sum of three million seven hundred
20 fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is
21 appropriated from the general fund for the fiscal year ending June 30,
22 2000, to Washington State University solely for purposes of section 2
23 of this act. Of the amount provided in this subsection, five hundred
24 thousand dollars is provided solely for competitive grants by the
25 commission on pesticide registration.

26 (2) The sum of three million seven hundred fifty thousand dollars,
27 or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the
28 general fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, to Washington
29 State University solely for purposes of section 2 of this act. Of the
30 amount provided in this subsection, five hundred thousand dollars is
31 provided solely for competitive grants by the commission on pesticide
32 registration.

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