## Department of Planning and Budget 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB983
	House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
	Second House
2.	Patron: Lewis
3.	Committee: Passed both Houses
4.	Title: Compensation for animals destroyed to control animal disease outbreak
5.	<b>Summary/Purpose:</b> The bill allows the Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services, with the approval of the Governor and the Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry, to pay to the appropriate persons, from funds so appropriated, a portion of the difference between the appraised value of each animal or animal product destroyed and the total of the value of the salvage thereof and any compensation made for each animal or animal product by the federal government. This applies to animals destroyed at the direction of the State Veterinarian for the control or eradication of an animal disease outbreak.
6.	<b>Fiscal impact:</b> The bill provides for payment from funds appropriated for that purpose. The fiscal impact is unknown until such time as funding becomes necessary (i.e. a disease outbreak incident). See item 7.
7.	<b>Budget amendment necessary:</b> No. Item 462, paragraph C of HB 30/SB 30 authorizes the Governor to expend up to \$1.5 million from the unappropriated general fund balance for indemnification payments to growers, producers, and owners for losses sustained as a result of an infectious disease outbreak or natural disaster in livestock and poultry populations.
8.	<b>Fiscal implications:</b> The bill authorizes the Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services, with approval of the Governor and Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry, to make payments as provided for in the Appropriation Act.
9.	<b>Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:</b> Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
10. Technical amendment necessary: No.	
11. Other comments: None.	
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cc: Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry

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