



SF 2211 – Pesticide Drift Online Reporting (LSB5827XS)
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Description

[Senate File 2211](#) (Pesticide Drift Online Reporting) requires the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (DALs) to establish and administer a pesticide drift electronic case management system accessible through the Department’s Internet site. The system is required to allow access to documents regarding complaints alleging pesticide drift damages. The system would keep records of complaints filed on or after January 1, 2021.

Background

The Bill defines drift as “the movement of a pesticide during or immediately after application through the air to a site other than the intended site of application.” The Pesticide Bureau within the DALs currently administers pesticide drift complaints through phone or email.

Persons claiming damages due to pesticide drift may file a complaint for an investigation under Iowa Code section [206.14](#). Under Iowa Code section [206.11](#), the DALs may suspend or revoke applicator licenses as well as collect civil penalties for violations. Iowa Code section [206.19](#) provides a civil penalty for a commercial applicator of up to \$500 per offense. The table below lists pesticide incidents involving filed complaints.

Pesticide Incidents Involving Filed Complaints						
Crop Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Cases	120	122	89	108	105	178

Assumptions

The DALs will use external vendors to implement the electronic case management system.

Fiscal Impact

[Senate File 2211](#) is estimated to cost the DALs between \$421,000 and \$511,000 to implement the system including the site build, training, support, and an annual site license.

FY 2021 Breakdown of Costs		
Type of Cost	Low	High
Build	\$300,000	\$350,000
Annual Site License*	\$20,000	\$60,000
Support	\$95,000	\$95,000
Training	\$6,000	\$6,000
Total	\$421,000	\$511,000
*Annual reoccurring cost		

Source

Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship

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