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Requested by HOUSE COMMITTEE ON RULES (at the request of Representative Paul Holvey)

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2882

- On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 30 and delete page 2 and insert:
- 3 "SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:
- "(a)(A) 'Genetically engineered' means produced from one or more organisms in which the genetic material has been changed through the application of:
- "(i) Vector-based recombinant deoxyribonucleic acid or ribonucleic
  acid techniques, direct introduction of deoxyribonucleic acid or
  ribonucleic acid into cells or organelles or other in vitro nucleic acid
  techniques; or
- "(ii) Methods of fusing cells or protoplasts beyond the taxonomic family that overcome natural physiological, reproductive or recombination barriers.
- "(B) 'Genetically engineered' does not mean resulting from conjugation, transduction, hybridization or other techniques used in traditional breeding and selection.
- "(b) 'In vitro nucleic acid techniques' means processes in which
  deoxyribonucleic acid or ribonucleic acid is prepared outside of
  organisms and the resulting material is then introduced into recipient
  cells or organisms in a manner that changes the genetic material of
  the recipient.

"(2) The State Department of Agriculture shall adopt rules establishing practices that a grower of a genetically engineered crop may take to reduce the risk that genetic material from the genetically engineered crop will unintentionally be transferred to other agricultural crops.

"(3) If an action brought against a grower alleges damages due to contamination of an agricultural crop by a genetically engineered crop, the finder of fact in a court proceeding shall consider grower compliance or noncompliance with any applicable practices described in subsection (2) of this section when determining whether the activities of the grower unreasonably created a foreseeable risk that genetic material from the genetically engineered crop would contaminate other agricultural crops."

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