Requested by Senator PROZANSKI

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 1058

- Delete lines 4 through 8 of the printed bill and insert:
- 2 "SECTION 1. (1) The State Department of Agriculture shall estab-
- 3 lish a program to support and expand organic agriculture sectors by
- providing reimbursements for agricultural producers:
- 5 "(a) For costs related to organic certification, if the agricultural
- 6 producers have been approved by the department to receive a re-
- 7 imbursement under the United States Department of Agriculture Or-
- 8 ganic Certification Cost Share Program.
- 9 "(b) For assistance with transitioning to organic agricultural prac-
- 10 tices.

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- "(2) A reimbursement under subsection (1)(a) of this section may
- be equal to the agricultural producer's total eligible certification costs
- under the Organic Certification Cost Share Program minus the re-
- 14 imbursement received by the agricultural producer pursuant to the
- 15 Organic Certification Cost Share Program.
- "(3) Costs eligible for reimbursement under subsection (1)(b) of this
- 17 section may include:
- 18 "(a) Certification costs not eligible for reimbursement under sub-
- 19 section (1)(a) of this section;
- 20 "(b) Soil testing costs; and
 - "(c) Registration fees for educational programs related to organic

agriculture. 1

"(4) The State Department of Agriculture may adopt rules to im-2 plement this section. 3

"SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Agriculture, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$_____, which may be expended for the purposes of carrying

out section 1 of this 2023 Act.". 8

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