
DIGEST

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Abstract: Increases the amount of sweet potato tax money that the Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry shall disburse to the La. Sweet Potato Association and the La. Agricultural Experiment Station. Modifies the percentages of the sweet potato tax money allocated to the La. Sweet Potato Association and the La. Agricultural Experiment Station.

Present law requires that one cent of the four-cent per bushel tax collected be disbursed by the commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry when authorized by a majority of the La. Sweet Potato Advertising and Development Commission. Proposed law increases that amount to two cents of the four-cent bushel tax.

Present law requires that the La. Sweet Potato Association receive one-fourth of the amount collected for disbursement. Proposed law decreases the disbursement percentage from one-fourth to one-eighth.

Present law requires that the La. Agricultural Experiment Station receive three-fourths of the amount collected for disbursement. Proposed law increases the disbursement percentage from three-fourths to seven-eighths.

(Amends R.S. 3:1746(C))