

# SENATE NO. 486

## **AN ACT** TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE AND THE USE OF INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,  
And by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 29 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is  
2 hereby amended by inserting after Section 2FF the following 2 sections:-

3 Section 2FFF. There shall be established and set up on the books of the commonwealth a  
4 separate fund to be known as the Integrated Pest Management Fund. Monies generated  
5 from the following sources shall be deposited in the Integrated Pest Management Fund:

6 (a) revenues generated pursuant to chapter sixty-four H from the sales of products listed  
7 in section six, sub-section (p), item (3) and not otherwise exempted from such taxation  
8 pursuant to said section.

9 (b) Fifty percent of revenues collected from fees and penalties pursuant to chapter  
10 twenty-one I, sections nineteen and twenty-one.

11 The books and records of the Integrated Pest Management Fund shall be subject to an  
12 annual audit by the state auditor. The department of food and agriculture may expend  
13 such funds, subject to appropriation, for the purposes of fostering integrated pest  
14 management programs, including, but not limited to: education, outreach, research,  
15 labeling, and creating and providing incentives to use integrated pest management. Said

16 department shall make at least fifty percent of the funds appropriated from the fund  
17 available for the purposes herein described for the University of Massachusetts,  
18 provided that the university shall not assess any overhead costs or charges to monies  
19 allocated thereto from the fund. No expenditure from said fund shall cause said fund to  
20 be in deficiency at the close of a fiscal year.

21 The commissioner of the department of food and agriculture shall submit a report  
22 annually to the clerk of the house and clerk of the senate, describing income into the  
23 fund, and expenditures from the fund and their purposes.

24 SECTION 2FFFF. Chapter 64H of the General Laws is hereby amended in section six,  
25 subsection (p), item (3) by inserting after the words “same use” the words “, when  
26 purchased by a person licensed pursuant to chapter one hundred thirty-two B;”