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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE-2013-14 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 199

Introduced by Assembly Member Holden

January 29, 2013

An act to add Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 58595) to Part 1 of Division 21 of the Food and Agricultural Code, *and to amend Sections 4330 and 4331 of the Government Code*, relating to institutional purchasers of agricultural products.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 199, as amended, Holden. Institutional purchasers: sale of California produce.

Under existing law, price, fitness, and quality being equal, any body, officer, or other person charged with the purchase, or permitted or authorized to purchase supplies for the use of the state, or of any of its institutions or offices, or for the use of any county or city, is required to always prefer supplies, defined to include produce, that are grown, manufactured, or produced in the state, and is required to next prefer supplies partially manufactured, grown, or produced in the state.

This bill would remove supplies grown or partially grown in the state from this requirement, and produce from the definition of supplies. The bill would-encourage require all California state-owned or state-run institutions and all institutions, except public universities, public schools, and or school districts-in California, to purchase agricultural products grown in California to the extent possible. from a California company before those that are grown outside of the state as long as the bid or

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price is equal to or less than the bid or price for agricultural products produced outside the state. The bill would encourage all public universities, public schools, and schools in California to purchase agricultural products grown in California to the greatest extent possible.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no-yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 58595) is 2 added to Part 1 of Division 21 of the Food and Agricultural Code, 3 to read: 4 5 CHAPTER 7. INSTITUTIONAL PURCHASERS 6 7 58595. (a) All California state-owned or state-run-institutions 8 and all institutions, except public universities, public schools, and

or school districts in California are encouraged to districts, shall 9 10 purchase agricultural products grown in California-to the extent possible from a California company before those that are grown 11 12 outside the state as long as the bid or price is equal to or less than 13 the bid or price for agricultural products produced outside the

14 state. 15 (b) All public universities, public schools, and school districts in California are encouraged to purchase agricultural products 16

17 grown in California to the greatest extent possible.

18 SEC. 2. Section 4330 of the Government Code is amended to 19 read:

20 4330. As used in this article, "supplies" includes goods, wares, 21 merchandise, manufactures, and produce and manufactures.

22 SEC. 3. Section 4331 of the Government Code is amended to 23 read:

24 4331. Price, fitness and quality being equal, any body, officer, 25 or other person charged with the purchase, or permitted or authorized to purchase supplies for the use of the State state, or of 26 any of its institutions or offices, or for the use of any county or 27

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