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for law enforcement and correctional officers, and to provide tuition and fee payments for trainees.

Under HB 1322, an ambulance service provider may not collect or bill more than the covered individual's deductible, coinsurance, copayment, or other cost-sharing amount the covered individual would be responsible for paying.

### **AGRICULTURE**

Under HB 1318, labels approved by the Environmental Protection Agency provide sufficient warning about pesticide hazards. Additional warnings are not required.

HB 1332 creates a value-added agricultural production facility incentive program to provide grants for new facilities that produce new products or diversify the agricultural products market. Grants are limited to \$30 million and must be used for infrastructure and construction expenses.

Under SB 2086 a pesticide certification may be denied,

HB 1193 allocates \$3.5 million to pay retention bonuses removed or suspended if a person is convicted of a crime, is subject to a civil penalty, or has been found to have violated a state law or regulation about pesticide use.

SB 2342 creates a value-added milk processing facility incentive program to provide grants for the reimbursement of infrastructure or other construction costs for the facility. The grant will be awarded after the facility achieves 100% of the facility's processing capacity.

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

Under HB 1053 the state highway system may not be more than 7,700 miles long.

Under SB 2133 blackout plates may be used for an additional fee of \$25 per registration period. Blackout plates must have a solid black background and white numbers and letters.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Under HB 1181, words used in state law to reference an individual's gender have the same meaning as those that refer to the individual's sex.

Under HB 1226 an individual may not wear a mask, hood or other item that covers, hides or conceals any portion of the individual's face to conceal their identity while congregating in a public place with others wearing a mask, hood or other face covering.

HB 1442 creates a legislative task force on government efficiency to review and analyze budgets and reports, review the effectiveness and necessity of programs and laws, conduct program evaluations, and submit an annual report detailing its findings and progress in implementing cost-saving measures and efficiencies, along with recommended legislation.

SB 2180 requires every regular meeting of a governing body of a city, county, township, school district, park district or water resource district to include an opportunity for an individual to provide public comment. The governing body may adopt a policy to regulate public comment to ensure it is pertinent to subjects regulated by the governing body.

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