

CHAPTER 195.

[Engrossed House Bill No. 677.]

GREEN PEAS.

AN ACT relating to quality standards for green peas to be used for canning and freezing; authorizing a study of mechanical instrumentation and development of precision grading equipment.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

Green peas—  
Quality  
standards.

Section 1. Because of the importance of the green pea industry to the state's economy, the department of agriculture is authorized and directed to make or cause to be made a study of (1) the quality standards involved in the establishment of grades of green peas to be used for canning and freezing upon which producers are paid, and (2) the existing system of mechanical determination of such grades, including the development of improved instruments of greater accuracy and uniformity, together with methods for standardizing all such instruments used for grading.

Cooperation  
with other  
states and  
federal gov-  
ernment.

Sec. 2. The department of agriculture is authorized to seek the cooperation of the United States department of agriculture and the Idaho and Oregon departments of agriculture and any other governmental or state agencies including any private agencies or groups associated with the production and processing of green peas.

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Approved by the Governor March 21, 1967.