

HOUSE BILL No. 1338

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 4-12-9-3.

Synopsis: Tobacco farmers and rural community impact fund. Specifies that the agricultural mentoring, entrepreneurial leadership development, and tuition and scholarship assistance components of the tobacco farmers and rural community impact fund are restricted to displaced tobacco growers whose crop production has been reduced and to children and stepchildren of such growers.

Effective: July 1, 2002.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 4-12-9-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.291-2001,
2 SECTION 74, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 3. (a) Subject to subsection (b), money in the fund
4 shall be used for the following purposes:

5 (1) Agricultural grant and loan programs to assist cooperative
6 arrangements consisting of tobacco quota owners and tobacco
7 growers working together to transition from tobacco production
8 to other agricultural enterprises and to assist individual tobacco
9 quota owners and tobacco growers who are in the process of
10 transitioning to other agricultural enterprises.

11 (2) Value-added cooperatives, incubators, and other enterprises
12 or facilities established for the purpose of assisting tobacco quota
13 owners and tobacco growers to capture additional revenues from
14 non-tobacco agricultural commodities.

15 (3) Agricultural mentoring programs, entrepreneurial leadership
16 development, and tuition and scholarships to assist displaced
17 tobacco growers **whose tobacco crop production has been**



- 1 **reduced, and children and stepchildren of such displaced**
- 2 **tobacco growers,** in acquiring new training and employment
- 3 skills.
- 4 (4) Academic research to identify new transitional crop
- 5 enterprises to replace tobacco production.
- 6 (5) Market facility development for marketing current and new
- 7 crop enterprises.
- 8 (6) Administrative and planning services for local communities
- 9 and economic development entities that suffer a negative impact
- 10 from the loss of tobacco production.
- 11 (7) Establishment and operation of a regional economic
- 12 development consortium to address common problems faced by
- 13 local communities that suffer a negative impact from the loss of
- 14 tobacco production.
- 15 (b) Expenditures from the fund are subject to appropriation by the
- 16 general assembly and approval by the ~~the~~ commissioner of agriculture.
- 17 The commissioner of agriculture may not approve an expenditure from
- 18 the fund unless that expenditure has been recommended by the
- 19 advisory board established by section 4 of this chapter.

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