
HOUSE BILL No. 1044

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Citations Affected: IC 8-1-8.8-14; IC 15-9-2-3.

Synopsis: Livestock waste anaerobic digestion systems. Requires the utility forecasting group to consider the statewide evaluation of livestock waste anaerobic digestion systems conducted by the department of agriculture (department) in formulating suggestions to the regulatory flexibility committee concerning the development and use of renewable energy resources in Indiana. Requires the department to explore the use of livestock waste anaerobic digestion systems to generate renewable energy as an economic development tool. Requires the department to conduct a statewide evaluation of livestock waste anaerobic digestion systems using the protocol developed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency AgSTAR Program.

Effective: July 1, 2008.

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January 8, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning agriculture and animals.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 8-1-8.8-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 14. The group shall
3 conduct an annual study on the use, availability, and economics of
4 using renewable energy resources in Indiana. Each year, the group shall
5 submit a report on the study to the commission for inclusion in the
6 commission's annual report to the regulatory flexibility committee
7 described in IC 8-1-2.5-9 and IC 8-1-2.6-4. The report must include
8 suggestions from the group to encourage the development and use of
9 renewable energy resources and technologies appropriate for use in
10 Indiana. **In formulating the suggestions, the group shall consider**
11 **the statewide evaluation of livestock waste anaerobic digestion**
12 **systems conducted by the department of agriculture under**
13 **IC 15-9-2-3(6).**

14 SECTION 2. IC 15-9-2-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2006,
15 SECTION 294, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
16 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 3. The department shall do the
17 following:



- 1 (1) Provide administrative and staff support for the following:
- 2 (A) The center for value added research.
- 3 (B) The state fair board for purposes of administering the
- 4 director of the department of agriculture's duties under
- 5 IC 15-1.5-4.
- 6 (C) The Indiana corn marketing council for purposes of
- 7 administering the duties of the director of the department of
- 8 agriculture under IC 15-4-10.
- 9 (D) The Indiana organic peer review panel.
- 10 (E) The Indiana dairy industry development board for
- 11 purposes of administering the duties of the director of the
- 12 department of agriculture under IC 15-6-4.
- 13 (F) The Indiana land resources council.
- 14 (G) The Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing agency.
- 15 (H) The Indiana grain indemnity corporation.
- 16 (I) The division of soil conservation established by
- 17 IC 15-9-4-1.
- 18 (2) Administer the election of state fair board members.
- 19 (3) Administer state programs and laws promoting agricultural
- 20 trade.
- 21 (4) Administer state livestock or agriculture marketing grant
- 22 programs.
- 23 (5) Administer economic development efforts for agriculture,
- 24 **including exploring the use of livestock waste anaerobic**
- 25 **digestion systems to generate renewable energy.**
- 26 **(6) Conduct a statewide evaluation of livestock waste**
- 27 **anaerobic digestion systems using the protocol developed by**
- 28 **the United States Environmental Protection Agency AgSTAR**
- 29 **Program.**

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