

HOUSE BILL No. 1135

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 15-17-3-2; IC 15-17-18-9.

Synopsis: Regulation of animal health. Changes the membership of the board of animal health to allow a person who holds or is affiliated with an organization that holds: (1) a license issued by the board of animal health; (2) a grant of inspection issued to a meat processing establishment; or (3) a permit issued to a milk plant; to be appointed by the governor to the board of animal health. Changes the penalty for a violation of board of animal health statutes from a Class D felony to a Class B misdemeanor.

Effective: July 1, 2012.

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January 9, 2012, read first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.

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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.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2011 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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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 15-17-3-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2008, SECTION
2 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
3 2012]: Sec. 2. The board consists of eleven (11) members appointed by
4 the governor as follows:
5 (1) One (1) member from the school of veterinary medicine of
6 Purdue University upon the recommendation of the Purdue
7 University board of trustees.
8 (2) Two (2) members, each of whom must:
9 (A) be a graduate of a veterinary college accredited by the
10 American Veterinarian Medical Association and licensed and
11 accredited to practice veterinary medicine and surgery in
12 Indiana;
13 (B) have at least five (5) years experience in veterinary
14 medicine; and
15 (C) actually be engaged in the general practice of veterinary
16 medicine during the member's term on the board.
17 The members appointed under this subdivision may not belong to



1 the same political party.
 2 (3) Seven (7) members with the following qualifications:
 3 (A) One (1) member must be engaged in poultry production.
 4 (B) One (1) member must be engaged in dairying.
 5 (C) One (1) member must be engaged in swine production.
 6 (D) One (1) member must be engaged in beef-type cattle
 7 production.
 8 (E) One (1) member must be engaged in horse production.
 9 (F) One (1) member must be engaged in sheep production.
 10 (G) One (1) member must be:
 11 (i) engaged in small animal veterinary medical practice; and
 12 (ii) a veterinarian licensed and accredited to practice
 13 veterinary medicine and surgery in Indiana who has been
 14 licensed and accredited for at least five (5) years.
 15 The members appointed under clauses (A) through (F) must be
 16 producers of livestock or poultry who are engaged in livestock or
 17 poultry production during their service on the board. Not more
 18 than four (4) of the members appointed under this subdivision
 19 may belong to the same political party.
 20 (4) One (1) member who **holds or** is affiliated with a ~~licensed~~
 21 ~~livestock market. an organization that holds any of the~~
 22 ~~following issued by the board:~~
 23 (A) **A license issued under this article.**
 24 (B) **A grant of inspection issued to a meat processing**
 25 **establishment under IC 15-17-5.**
 26 (C) **A permit issued to a milk plant under IC 15-18-1.**
 27 SECTION 2. IC 15-17-18-9, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2008,
 28 SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 29 JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 9. (a) This section does not apply to IC 15-17-5 or
 30 IC 15-18-1.
 31 (b) A person who knowingly or intentionally violates or fails to
 32 comply with this article commits a ~~Class D felony. Class B~~
 33 **misdemeanor.**
 34 (c) A person who knowingly or intentionally violates or fails to
 35 comply with a rule adopted under this article commits a Class A
 36 infraction.

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