



January 30, 2023

HOUSE BILL No. 1557

DIGEST OF HB 1557 (Updated January 30, 2023 11:49 am - DI 140)

Citations Affected: IC 15-11.

Synopsis: Inventory of lost farmland. Directs the state department of agriculture to conduct an inventory of farmland lost in Indiana from 2010 to 2022.

Effective: July 1, 2023.

Culp, Aylesworth

January 19, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.
January 30, 2023, reported — Do Pass.

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First Regular Session of the 123rd General Assembly (2023)

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 agriculture and animals.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 15-11-9-1.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2023]: **Sec. 1.1. (a) As used in this section, "farmland" refers to**
4 **property described in IC 14-22-11-1(a)(2).**

5 **(b) The department shall:**

6 **(1) conduct an inventory of all farmland lost in Indiana from**
7 **2010 to 2022; and**

8 **(2) identify the primary cause of the reduction of farmland**
9 **under subdivision (1).**

10 **(c) The department shall issue a report to the legislative council**
11 **containing the department's findings and recommendations,**
12 **including any recommended legislation, in an electronic format**
13 **under IC 5-14-6 not later than July 1, 2024.**

14 **(d) This section expires December 1, 2024.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, to which was referred House Bill 1557, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1557 as introduced.)

AYLESWORTH

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0

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