

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY**  
**OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS**  
**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6988**  
**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1305

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 13, 2026  
**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Grain Shortages, Claims, and Payments.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Sweet  
**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**  **GENERAL**  
 **DEDICATED**  
 **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill allows the Inspector General to receive complaints regarding violations of the Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing and bonding Law by the director of the Indiana Grain Buyers and Warehouse Licensing Agency (IGBWLA).

The bill reorganizes the existing statute regarding grain shortages, claims, and payments.

The bill provides for certain notices to be included in contracts for the purchase of grain.

The bill requires an administrative law judge to award reasonable attorney's fees to the claimant in certain administrative adjudications.

It also makes conforming and technical corrections.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2026.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** This bill could increase expenditures from Indiana Grain Buyers and Warehouse Licensing Agency License Fee Fund to pay reasonable attorney's fees to claimants in certain administrative adjudications.

*Office of the Inspector General:* This bill may increase workload for the Office of the Inspector General to receive and investigate complaints alleging a violation of the Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing and bonding law by the director of the IGBWLA as prescribed in the bill. The additional workload should be accomplished within existing resources.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** Office of the Inspector General; Indiana Grain Buyers and Warehouse Licensing Agency; Indiana State Department of Agriculture.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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