

# HOUSE BILL No. 1344

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 13-11-2; IC 13-17-16.

**Synopsis:** Greenhouse gas emissions inventory grant program. Requires the department of environmental management (department) to establish and administer the greenhouse gas emissions inventory grant program. Provides that the department may award a grant to a town, city, or county that partners with the Indiana Sustainability Development Program or any other accredited college or university in Indiana with a similar program to conduct a greenhouse gas inventory. Provides that a grant may not exceed \$1,000 for a town, city, or county having a population of less than 100,000, or \$2,000 for a town, city, or county having a population of more than 100,000. Allows the department to award a grant of more than \$2,000 to a town, city, or county having a population of more than 200,000 if money is available in the fund. Establishes the greenhouse gas emissions inventory fund.

**Effective:** January 1, 2022.

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January 14, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Environmental Affairs.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning environmental law and to make an appropriation.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 13-11-2-87, AS AMENDED BY P.L.189-2018,
- 2 SECTION 110, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 3 [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022]: Sec. 87. (a) "Fund", for purposes
- 4 of IC 13-14-12, refers to the environmental management special fund.
- 5 (b) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-15-10, refers to the waste facility
- 6 operator trust fund.
- 7 (c) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-15-11, refers to the environmental
- 8 management permit operation fund.
- 9 (d) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-17-6, refers to the asbestos trust
- 10 fund.
- 11 (e) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-17-8, refers to the Title V
- 12 operating permit program trust fund.
- 13 **(f) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-17-16, refers to the**
- 14 **greenhouse gas emissions inventory fund.**
- 15 ~~(f)~~ **(g)** "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-18-8-5, refers to a sanitary
- 16 fund.
- 17 ~~(g)~~ **(h)** "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-20-13, refers to the waste tire



- 1 management fund.
- 2 ~~(h)~~ (i) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-20-22, refers to the state solid  
3 waste management fund.
- 4 ~~(i)~~ (j) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-21-7, refers to the waste  
5 management district bond fund.
- 6 ~~(j)~~ (k) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-21-13-2, refers to a district solid  
7 waste management fund.
- 8 ~~(k)~~ (l) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-23-6, refers to the underground  
9 petroleum storage tank trust fund.
- 10 ~~(l)~~ (m) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-23-7 and IC 13-23-8, refers to  
11 the underground petroleum storage tank excess liability trust fund (or  
12 ELTF).
- 13 ~~(m)~~ (n) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-25-4, refers to the hazardous  
14 substances response trust fund.
- 15 ~~(n)~~ (o) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-25-5, refers to the voluntary  
16 remediation fund.
- 17 ~~(o)~~ (p) "Fund", for purposes of IC 13-28-2, refers to the voluntary  
18 compliance fund.
- 19 SECTION 2. IC 13-11-2-91.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
20 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
21 [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022]: **Sec. 91.7. "Greenhouse gas", for  
22 purposes of IC 13-17-16, has the meaning set forth in  
23 IC 13-17-16-1.**
- 24 SECTION 3. IC 13-11-2-91.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
25 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
26 [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022]: **Sec. 91.8. "Greenhouse gas  
27 emissions inventory", for purposes of IC 13-17-16, has the meaning  
28 set forth in IC 13-17-16-2.**
- 29 SECTION 4. IC 13-17-16 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
30 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
31 JANUARY 1, 2022]:
- 32 **Chapter 16. Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory Grant  
33 Program**
- 34 **Sec. 1. (a) As used in this chapter, "greenhouse gas" means a  
35 chemical or physical substance that:**
- 36 **(1) is emitted into the air; and**
- 37 **(2) may cause or contribute to climate change.**
- 38 **(b) The term includes carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide,  
39 hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons, and sulfur hexafluoride.**
- 40 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "greenhouse gas emissions  
41 inventory" means a comprehensive accounting of greenhouse gas  
42 emissions within a defined boundary.**



1           **Sec. 3. The department may award a grant to a town, city, or**  
2 **county that partners with:**

- 3           **(1) the Indiana Sustainability Development Program; or**  
4           **(2) any other accredited college or university in Indiana with**  
5           **a similar program;**

6 **to conduct a greenhouse gas inventory.**

7           **Sec. 4. The department shall do the following:**

- 8           **(1) Adopt guidelines to determine standards for awarding**  
9           **grants under this chapter.**  
10           **(2) Prepare and supervise the issuance of public information**  
11           **concerning the grant program established under this chapter.**  
12           **(3) Develop a procedure for a town, city, or county to apply**  
13           **for grants under this chapter.**

14           **Sec. 5. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), a grant awarded**  
15 **under this chapter may not exceed:**

- 16           **(1) one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for a town, city, or county**  
17           **having a population of less than one hundred thousand**  
18           **(100,000); or**  
19           **(2) two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for a town, city, or county**  
20           **having a population of more than one hundred thousand**  
21           **(100,000).**

22           **(b) The department may award a grant of more than two**  
23 **thousand dollars (\$2,000) to a town, city, or county having a**  
24 **population of more than two hundred thousand (200,000) if money**  
25 **is available in the fund.**

26           **(c) If a town or city within a county has received a grant under**  
27 **this chapter, the population of the town or city must be deducted**  
28 **from the overall population of the county when considering a**  
29 **county's eligibility for funds under subsections (a) and (b).**

30           **Sec. 6. (a) A town, city, or county that receives a grant under**  
31 **this chapter must submit a final report of the findings of the**  
32 **greenhouse gas inventory to the department.**

33           **(b) Upon receiving a report described in subsection (a), the**  
34 **department shall provide recommendations to the town, city, or**  
35 **county concerning ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.**

36           **Sec. 7. (a) The greenhouse gas emissions inventory fund is**  
37 **established for the purpose of funding grants described in this**  
38 **chapter.**

39           **(b) The department shall administer the fund.**

40           **(c) The fund consists of:**

- 41           **(1) appropriations from the general assembly;**  
42           **(2) grants, gifts, and donations intended for deposit in the**



- 1           **fund; and**
- 2           **(3) interest deposited into the fund under subsection (d).**
- 3           **(d) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not**
- 4           **currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same**
- 5           **manner as other public funds may be invested. Interest that**
- 6           **accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.**
- 7           **(e) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from**
- 8           **money in the fund.**
- 9           **(f) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not**
- 10           **revert to the state general fund.**

