

SENATE BILL No. 186

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 15-11-2-6.

Synopsis: State policy on agriculture and farmers' rights. Declares the state policy on agriculture and farmers' rights.

Effective: July 1, 2014.

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January 8, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.



Second Regular Session 118th General Assembly (2014)

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~~.

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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 15-11-2-6, AS ADDED BY P.L.120-2008,
2 SECTION 28, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 6. **(a) The general assembly declares that it is**
4 **the policy of the state to conserve, protect, and encourage the**
5 **development and improvement of agriculture, agricultural**
6 **businesses, and agricultural land for the production of food, fuel,**
7 **fiber, and other agricultural products. The Indiana Code shall be**
8 **construed to protect the rights of farmers to choose among all**
9 **generally accepted farming and livestock production practices,**
10 **including the use of ever changing technology.**

11 **(b) The department shall promote the growth of agricultural**
12 **businesses by doing the following:**

- 13 (1) Assisting agricultural businesses with the permit process
14 required to conduct business in Indiana.
- 15 (2) Serving as a liaison between agricultural businesses, state
16 agencies, and local units of government.

