

SENATE BILL No. 174

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 15-1.5-11.

Synopsis: State agricultural science and heritage matching fund. Establishes the state agricultural science and heritage matching fund and appropriates \$10,000,000 to the fund. Provides that the fund is administered by the state fair commission. Provides that if the general assembly establishes a center for agricultural science and heritage, money in the fund may be expended for the purposes of paying certain capital costs of the center. Provides that money expended from the fund must be matched by the expenditure of nonstate money.

Effective: July 1, 1998.

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January 6, 1998, read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.



Introduced

Second Regular Session 110th General Assembly (1998)

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 1997 General Assembly.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 15-1.5-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 1998]:

4 **Chapter 11. State Agricultural Science and Heritage Matching**
5 **Fund**

6 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "center" means a center for**
7 **agricultural science and heritage that is formed for the following**
8 **purposes:**

9 (1) **To inform the public of the past, present, and future of**
10 **American agriculture and rural life.**

11 (2) **To educate youth and the general public about American**
12 **agriculture and food systems.**

13 (3) **To provide educational programming for youth that**
14 **complements school curricula, both onsite and in the**
15 **classroom.**

16 (4) **To create a synergy between Indiana's institutions of**
17 **higher education and agriculture related industries.**

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- 1 (5) To generate economic vitality, convention activity, and
2 tourism activity for Indiana.
3 (6) To become a center for agricultural business and thinking,
4 a clearinghouse of agricultural information, a resource center
5 for educators and the public, and a repository for agricultural
6 artifacts and history.
7 (7) To create a central, prominent partner with whom
8 agricultural organizations can launch, collaborate on, and
9 coordinate programs.
10 (8) To position Indiana as the recognized agricultural center
11 of the nation.

12 Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "fund" means the state
13 agricultural science and heritage matching fund established by
14 section 3 of this chapter.

15 Sec. 3. (a) The state agricultural science and heritage matching
16 fund is established. The fund shall be administered by the
17 commission

18 (b) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from
19 money in the fund.

20 (c) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not
21 currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same
22 manner as other public funds may be invested.

23 (d) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not
24 revert to the state general fund.

25 (e) The fund consists of the following:

- 26 (1) Appropriations of the general assembly from revenue
27 sources determined by the general assembly and in an amount
28 determined by the general assembly.
29 (2) Donations to the fund from public or private sources.
30 (3) Interest and dividends on assets of the fund.
31 (4) Money transferred to the fund from other funds.
32 (5) Money from other sources that the commission may
33 acquire.

34 Sec. 4. (a) If the general assembly establishes a center, money in
35 the fund may be expended for the purposes of paying the following:

- 36 (1) The costs of constructing, reconstructing, improving,
37 rehabilitating, remodeling, repairing, completing, extending,
38 enlarging, equipping, or furnishing the center.
39 (2) Any architectural, appraisal, consultant, engineering,
40 legal, or other professional fees incurred to carry out an
41 activity described in subdivision (1).
42 (b) Money may be expended from the fund only to the extent



1 that, for every one dollar (\$1) of state money expended from the
2 fund, at least one dollar (\$1) in matching money or value provided
3 to the fund from nonstate sources is expended.

4 (c) Money may be expended from the fund only after the
5 expenditure is approved by the commission and the state budget
6 committee.

7 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1998] (a) There is
8 appropriated from the state general fund to the state agricultural
9 science and heritage matching fund established by IC 15-1.5-11, as
10 added by this act, ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) beginning July
11 1, 1998, and ending June 30, 1999. The state fair commission shall
12 use the money appropriated under this SECTION to carry out the
13 purposes of IC 15-1.5-11, as added by this act.

14 (b) This SECTION expires July 1, 1999.

