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## HOUSE BILL No. 1480

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DIGEST OF HB 1480 (Updated February 13, 2013 3:28 pm - DI 69)

**Citations Affected:** IC 16-41.

**Synopsis:** Residential onsite sewage systems. Allows an employee of a local health department to conduct an onsite soil evaluation concerning the repair or replacement of a failed residential onsite sewage system if: (1) the employee was hired by the local health department before January 1, 2013; (2) the local health board has determined that the employee has the necessary knowledge of the principles of soil science as acquired by professional education; (3) the employee uses guidelines set forth in the soil manuals, technical bulletins, and handbooks of the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture; and (4) the employee files a written report with the local health department for each onsite soil evaluation conducted by the employee.

**Effective:** July 1, 2013.

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### Wolkins, Lehman, Battles

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January 22, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Environmental Affairs.  
February 14, 2013, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-41-25-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.97-2012,  
2 SECTION 17, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 4. (a) Before a local health department may act on  
4 an application for a residential septic system permit, the local health  
5 department shall inform the applicant for a residential septic system  
6 permit if the property is located in the service district of a regional  
7 sewage district.

8 (b) **An employee of a local health department may conduct an**  
9 **onsite soil evaluation concerning the repair or replacement of a**  
10 **failed residential onsite sewage system (as defined in**  
11 **IC 13-11-2-144.8) if:**

- 12 (1) **the employee was hired by the local health department**  
13 **before January 1, 2013;**  
14 (2) **the local health board has determined that the employee**  
15 **has the necessary knowledge of the principles of soil science**  
16 **as acquired by professional education;**  
17 (3) **the employee uses guidelines set forth in the soil manuals,**

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1           **technical bulletins, and handbooks of the Natural Resources**  
2           **Conservation Service of the United States Department of**  
3           **Agriculture; and**  
4           **(4) the employee files a written report with the local health**  
5           **department for each onsite soil evaluation conducted by the**  
6           **employee.**

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Environmental Affairs, to which was referred House Bill 1480, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 8 through 14, begin a new paragraph and insert:

**"(b) An employee of a local health department may conduct an onsite soil evaluation concerning the repair or replacement of a failed residential onsite sewage system (as defined in IC 13-11-2-144.8) if:**

- (1) the employee was hired by the local health department before January 1, 2013;**
- (2) the local health board has determined that the employee has the necessary knowledge of the principles of soil science as acquired by professional education;**
- (3) the employee uses guidelines set forth in the soil manuals, technical bulletins, and handbooks of the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture; and**
- (4) the employee files a written report with the local health department for each onsite soil evaluation conducted by the employee."**

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1480 as introduced.)

WOLKINS, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 1.

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