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Introduced 2/5/2020, by Sen. David Koehler

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

510 ILCS 77/20

Amends the Livestock Management Facilities Act. Provides that the owner or operator of a livestock management facility of less than 1,000 animal units shall be (rather than shall not be) required to prepare and maintain a waste management plan. Requires the owner or operator of an existing livestock management facility that has or will exceed more than 5,000 animal units to file its waste management plan with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Agriculture (rather than only the Department of Agriculture). Provides that a waste management plan shall be submitted electronically to both the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the Department for failure to submit a waste management plan shall have 15 working days (rather than 30 working days) to prepare a waste management plan. Provides that following the second violation, the Department shall (rather than may) issue an operational cease and desist order until compliance is attained.

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A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning animals.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 2 represented in the General Assembly: 3

4 Section 5. The Livestock Management Facilities Act is 5 amended by changing Section 20 as follows:

6 (510 ILCS 77/20)

7 Sec. 20. Handling, storing and disposing of livestock 8 waste.

9 (a) The livestock management facility owner or operator shall comply with the requirements for handling, storing, and 10 disposing of livestock wastes as set forth in the rules adopted 11 Illinois Environmental Protection Act 12 pursuant to the 13 concerning agriculture related pollution.

14 (b) The livestock management facility owner or operator at a facility of less than 1,000 animal units shall not be 15 16 required to prepare and maintain a waste management plan. The 17 waste management plan shall be filed electronically with the Agency and the Department and a paper copy shall be made 18 19 available for inspection during normal business hours by 20 Department personnel.

21 (c) The livestock management facility owner or operator at 22 a facility of 1,000 or greater animal units but less than 5,000 animal units shall prepare and maintain on file at the 23

livestock management facility a general waste management plan. 1 2 Notwithstanding this requirement, a livestock management 3 facility subject to this subsection may be operated on an interim basis but not to exceed 6 months after the effective 4 5 date of the rules promulgated pursuant to this Act to allow for the owner or operator of the facility to develop a waste 6 7 management plan. The waste management plan shall be filed 8 electronically with the Agency and the Department and a paper 9 copy shall be made available for inspection during normal 10 business hours by Department personnel.

11 (d) The livestock management facility owner or operator at 12 a facility of 5,000 or greater animal units shall prepare, maintain, and submit to the Department the waste management 13 14 plan for approval. Approval of the waste management plan shall 15 be predicated on compliance with provisions of subsection (f). 16 The waste management plan shall be approved by the Department 17 before operation of the facility or in the case of an existing facility, the waste management plan shall be submitted within 18 60 working days after the effective date of the rules 19 20 promulgated pursuant to this Act.

The owner or operator of an existing livestock management facility that through growth meets or exceeds 5,000 animal units shall file its waste management plan with <u>the Agency</u> the Department within 60 working days after reaching the stated animal units.

The owner or operator of a livestock management facility

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that is subject to this subsection (d) shall file within 60 working days with the Department <u>and the Agency</u> a revised waste management plan when there is a change as provided in subsection (e) of this Section that will materially affect compliance with the waste management plan.

6 (d-5) The owner or operator of multiple livestock 7 management facilities under common facility ownership where the cumulative animal units of the facilities are equal to or 8 9 greater than the animal unit numbers provided for in subsection 10 (c) of this Section shall prepare and keep on file at each 11 facility a waste management plan in accordance with the 12 requirements of subsection (c). The owner or operator of 13 multiple livestock management facilities that are under common facility ownership where the cumulative animal units of the 14 15 facilities are equal to or greater than the animal unit numbers 16 provided for in subsection (d) of this Section shall prepare 17 and file with the Department a waste management plan in accordance with the provisions of subsection (d). Cumulative 18 animal units shall be determined by combining the animal units 19 20 of multiple livestock management facilities under the common facility ownership based upon the design capacity of each 21 22 facility. For the purposes of this subsection (d-5), "under 23 common facility ownership" means the same person or persons own, directly or indirectly, through majority owned business 24 25 entities at least 51% of any person or persons (as defined by 26 Section 10.55) that own or operate the livestock management

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1 facility or livestock waste handling facility located in the 2 State of Illinois.

3 (e) The owner or operator of a livestock management 4 facility shall update the waste management plan when there is a 5 change in values shown in the plan under item (1) of subsection 6 (f) of this Section. The waste management plan and records of 7 livestock waste disposal shall be kept on file for three years.

8 (f) The application of livestock waste to the land is an 9 acceptable, recommended, and established practice in Illinois. 10 However, when livestock waste is not applied in a responsible 11 manner, it may create pollutional problems. It should be 12 recognized that research relative to livestock waste 13 application based on livestock waste nutrient content is 14 currently ongoing. The Dean of the College of Agricultural, 15 Consumer and Environmental Sciences at the University of 16 Illinois, or his or her designee, shall annually report to the 17 Advisory Committee on the status of phosphorus research, including research that has been supported in whole or in part 18 19 by the Illinois Council on Food and Agricultural Research. The 20 Advisory Committee may also consult with other appropriate 21 research entities on the status of phosphorus research. It is 22 considered acceptable to prepare and implement a waste 23 management plan based on a nitrogen rate, unless otherwise 24 restricted by this Section. The waste management plan shall 25 include the following:

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(1) An estimate of the volume of livestock waste to be

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1 disposed of annually, which shall be obtained bv 2 multiplying the design capacity of the facility by the 3 appropriate amount of waste generated by the animals. The values showing the amount of waste generated in Table 2-1, 4 5 Midwest Plan Service's, MWPS-18, Livestock Waste 6 Management Facilities Handbook or Design Criteria for the 7 field application of livestock waste adopted by the Agency 8 may be used.

9 (2) The number of acres available for disposal of the 10 waste, whether they are owned by the owner or operator of 11 the livestock waste management facility or are shown to be 12 contracted with another person or persons for disposal of 13 waste.

(3) An estimate of the nutrient value of the waste. The 14 15 owner or operator may prepare a plan based on an average of 16 the minimum and maximum numbers in the table values derived 17 from Midwest Plan Service's, MWPS-18, Livestock Waste Facilities Handbook, the Agency's Agriculture Related 18 19 Pollution regulations, or the results of analysis 20 performed on samples of waste. For the purposes of compliance with this subsection, the nutrient values of 21 22 livestock waste may vary as indicated in the source table. 23 In the case of laboratory analytical results, the nutrient 24 values may vary with the accuracy of the analytical method.

(3.5) Results of the Bray P1 or Mehlich test for soil
phosphorus reported in pounds of elemental phosphorus per

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1 acre. Soil samples shall be obtained and analyzed from the 2 livestock waste application fields on land owned or under 3 the control of the owner or operator where applications are planned. Fields where livestock waste is applied shall be 4 sampled every 3 years. Sampling procedures, such as the 5 6 number of samples and the depth of sampling, as outlined in 7 the current edition of the Illinois Agronomy Handbook shall 8 be followed when soil samples are obtained.

9 (3.6) If the average Bray P1 or Mehlich test result for 10 soil phosphorus calculated from samples obtained from the 11 application field is 300 pounds or less of elemental 12 phosphorus per acre, livestock waste may continue to be 13 applied to that field in accordance with subsection (f) of 14 this Section. If the average Bray P1 or Mehlich test result 15 for soil phosphorus for an application field is greater 16 than 300 pounds of elemental phosphorus per acre, the owner 17 or operator shall apply livestock waste at the phosphorus 18 rate to the field until the average Bray P1 or Mehlich test 19 for soil phosphorus indicates there is less than 300 pounds 20 of elemental phosphorus per acre. Upon the development of a 21 phosphorus index that is approved subject to the provisions 22 established in Section 55 of this Act, the owner or 23 operator shall use such index in lieu of the 300 pounds of 24 elemental phosphorus per acre.

(4) An indication that the livestock waste will beapplied at rates not to exceed the agronomic nitrogen

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1 demand of the crops to be grown when averaged over a 5-year 2 period.

3 (5) A provision that livestock waste applied within 1/4 mile of any residence not part of the facility shall be 4 5 injected or incorporated on the day of application. 6 However, livestock management facilities and livestock 7 waste handling facilities that have irrigation systems in 8 operation prior to the effective date of this Act or 9 existing facilities applying waste on frozen ground are not 10 subject to the provisions of this item (5).

11 (6) A provision that livestock waste may not be applied 12 within 200 feet of surface water unless the water is 13 upgrade or there is adequate diking, and waste will not be 14 applied within 150 feet of potable water supply wells.

(7) A provision that livestock waste may not be applied
in a 10-year flood plain unless the injection or
incorporation method of application is used.

18 (8) A provision that livestock waste may not be applied19 in waterways.

20 (9) A provision that if waste is spread on frozen or 21 snow-covered land, the application will be limited to land 22 areas on which:

(A) land slopes are 5% or less, or

24 (B) adequate erosion control practices exist.

(10) Methods for disposal of animal waste.

26 (g) Any person who is required to prepare and maintain a

waste management plan and who fails to do so shall be issued a 1 2 warning letter by the Department for the first violation and 3 shall be given 15 30 working days to prepare a waste management 4 plan. For failure to prepare and maintain a waste management 5 plan, the person shall be fined an administrative penalty of up 6 to \$1,000 by the Department and shall be required to enter into 7 an agreement of compliance to prepare and maintain a waste management plan within 15 30 working days. For failure to 8 9 prepare and maintain a waste management plan after the second 10 15 30 day period or for failure to enter into a compliance 11 agreement, the Department shall may issue an operational cease 12 and desist order until compliance is attained.

13 (Source: P.A. 91-110, eff. 7-13-99; 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)

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