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May 6, 2004

The Honorable Chester Culver
Secretary of State
State Capitol Building
L O C A L

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 2357, an Act relating to the prevention and control of certain aquatic invasive plant and animal species and providing penalties.

House File 2392, an Act relating to controlled burns of demolished buildings conducted by certain cities.

House File 2433, an Act relating to fees retained by county treasurers for the issuance of driver's licenses and non-operator identification cards.

House File 2460, an act relating to school district enrollment of students listed on the sex offender registry.

House File 2484, an Act relating to the regulation of financial and real property institutions and assets including banks, credit unions, real property loan lenders, and real property financial liability.

House File 2486, an Act providing for animal agriculture, including by providing for offenses involving animals and crops and related property, and providing penalties.

House File 2518, an Act relating to the duties of the Soil and Water Conservation Division of the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship.



House File 2544, an Act requiring identification numbers for all parcels of real estate, additional real estate transaction records, and making a fee applicable.

House File 2560, an Act relating to fire protection service by requiring certain counties to negotiate emergency services agreements for townships, relating to dissolution of benefited fire districts, and including effective and applicability date provisions.

House File 2571, an Act relating to agriculture by providing for reporting requirements.

The above House Files are hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Vilsack", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Thomas J. Vilsack
Governor

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cc: Secretary of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House



HOUSE FILE 2571

AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE BY PROVIDING FOR REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 10B.4, subsection 1, Code 2003, is amended to read as follows:

1. ~~An-annual~~ A biennial report shall be filed by a reporting entity with the secretary of state on or before March 31 of each odd-numbered year as required by rules adopted by the secretary of state pursuant to chapter 17A. However, a reporting entity required to file a biennial report pursuant to chapter 490, 496C, 497, 498, 499, 501, or 504A, shall file the report required by this section in the same year as required by that chapter. The reporting entity may file the report required by this section together with the biennial report required to be filed by one of the other chapters referred to in this subsection. The reports shall be filed on forms prepared and supplied by the secretary of state. The secretary of state may provide for combining its reporting forms with other biennial reporting forms required to be used by the reporting entities.

Sec. 2. Section 10B.4, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2003, is amended to read as follows:

A report required pursuant to this section shall contain information for the ~~last-year~~ reporting period regarding the reporting entity as required by the secretary of state which shall at least include all of the following:

Sec. 3. Section 10B.4, subsection 3, Code 2003, is amended to read as follows:

3. A reporting entity other than a foreign business, foreign government, or nonresident alien shall be excused from filing a report with the secretary of state during any ~~year~~ reporting period in which the reporting entity holds an interest in less than twenty acres of agricultural land in this state and the gross revenue produced from all farming on the land equals less than ten thousand dollars.

Sec. 4. Section 10B.5, subsection 2, Code 2003, is amended to read as follows:

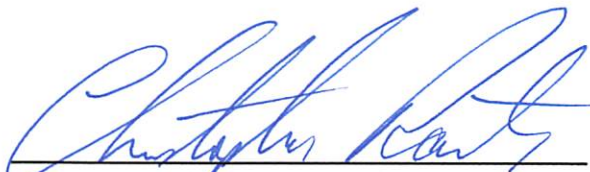
2. Information provided in reports required in this chapter is a confidential record as provided in section 22.7. The attorney general may have access to the reports, and may use information in the reports in any action to enforce state law, including but not limited to chapters 9H, 9I, and 10C. The reports shall be made available to members of the general assembly and appropriate committees of the general assembly in order to determine the extent that agricultural land is held in this state by corporations and other business and foreign entities and the effect of such land ownership upon the economy of this state. The secretary of state shall assist any committee of the general assembly studying these issues.

Sec. 5. Section 10B.7, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code Supplement 2003, is amended to read as follows:

Lessees of agricultural land under section 9H.4, subsection 2, paragraph "c", for research or experimental purposes, shall file a biennial report with the secretary of state on or before March 31 of each odd-numbered year on forms adopted pursuant to chapter 17A and supplied by the secretary of state. However, a lessee required to file a biennial report pursuant to chapter 490, 496C, 497, 498, 499, 501, or 504A, shall file the report required by this section in the same year as required by that chapter. The lessee may file the report required by this section together with the biennial report required to be filed by one of the other chapters referred to in this paragraph. The report shall contain the following information for the ~~last-year~~ reporting period:

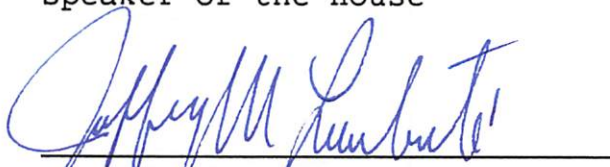
Sec. 6. Section 22.7, Code Supplement 2003, is amended by adding this following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 48. A report regarding interest held in agricultural land required to be filed pursuant to chapter 10B.



CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS

Speaker of the House



JEFFREY M. LAMBERTI

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2571, Eightieth General Assembly.



MARGARET THOMSON

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved May 6, 2004



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