

SENATE FILE 2086  
BY RITTMER

Passed Senate, Date \_\_\_\_\_ Passed House, Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to nuisance suits involving animal feeding  
2 operations.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 657.11, Code Supplement 1995, is  
2 amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof  
3 the following:

4 657.11 ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS.

5 A person who brings a losing cause of action based upon a  
6 claim of nuisance involving an animal feeding operation, as  
7 defined in section 455B.161, shall be liable to the person  
8 against whom the action was brought for legal fees and all  
9 costs incurred in the defense of the action, if the court  
10 determines that the claim was frivolous.

11 EXPLANATION

12 This bill provides that if a plaintiff brings a cause of  
13 action based upon a claim of nuisance arising out of an animal  
14 feeding operation, the plaintiff must pay the defendant legal  
15 fees and all costs incurred in the defense of the action, if  
16 the plaintiff loses and the court determines that the nuisance  
17 claim was frivolous.

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