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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring the development of clean air standards for  
2 confinement feeding operations and making penalties  
3 applicable.

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

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 455B.166 CLEAN AIR STANDARDS.  
2 The department shall develop comprehensive plans and  
3 programs for the abatement, control, and prevention of  
4 airborne pollutants originating from confinement feeding  
5 operations. The department shall require confinement feeding  
6 operations to comply with standards necessary in order to  
7 protect the public health and welfare. The department may  
8 establish schedules for compliance. The standards may vary  
9 based on the animal weight capacity of the confinement feeding  
10 operation and the distance from an object or location for  
11 which a separation distance is required pursuant to section  
12 455B.162. The standards, to every extent practicable, shall  
13 apply to dust and gases containing compounds which produce  
14 odor or may have a deleterious effect upon human health,  
15 including but not limited to hydrogen sulfide, ammonia,  
16 methane, and any class of mercaptan. The standards shall not  
17 apply to small animal feeding operations.

18 EXPLANATION

19 This bill amends a part of Code chapter 455B which  
20 regulates air quality of confinement feeding operations by the  
21 department of natural resources. The bill requires the  
22 department to develop comprehensive plans and programs for the  
23 abatement, control, and prevention of air pollutants  
24 originating from confinement feeding operations. The bill  
25 provides that the standards may vary based on the animal  
26 weight capacity of the confinement feeding operation and the  
27 distance from an object or location for which a separation  
28 distance is required pursuant to Code section 455B.162, such  
29 as a home, church, or park. The bill provides that the  
30 standards, to every extent practicable, must apply to dust and  
31 gases containing compounds which produce odor or may have a  
32 deleterious effect upon human health, including but not  
33 limited to hydrogen sulfide, ammonia, methane, and any class  
34 of mercaptan. The bill provides that the standards do not  
35 apply to small animal feeding operations. Code section

1 455B.109 provides that a person violating requirements  
2 contained in the bill is subject to a civil penalty of up to  
3 \$10,000.

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