

Senate Study Bill 3103 - Introduced

SENATE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
NATURAL RESOURCES AND
ENVIRONMENT BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON SWEENEY)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to complaints made to the department of natural
2 resources.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 455B.118 Public complaints.

2 A person filing a complaint with the department regarding a
3 potential violation of a law or rule enforced by the department
4 shall include the person's own name with the complaint.
5 The department may decide whether to investigate filed
6 complaints. If the complaint causes the department to launch
7 an investigation into another person, the department shall
8 share the name of the complainant with the person who is the
9 subject of the investigation.

10 EXPLANATION

11 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
12 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

13 This bill relates to complaints made to the department of
14 natural resources (DNR). The bill requires a person filing a
15 complaint with DNR regarding a potential violation of a law
16 or rule enforced by DNR to include the person's own name with
17 the complaint. DNR may decide whether to investigate the
18 filed complaints. If the complaint causes DNR to launch an
19 investigation into another person, DNR shall share the name
20 of the complainant with the person who is the subject of the
21 investigation.