

House File 723 - Introduced

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BY LAWLER

A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring a water treatment plant to conduct a test of
2 sewage sludge to detect the presence of a perfluoroalkyl or
3 polyfluoroalkyl substance.

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

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **455B.211A Perfluoroalkyl or**
2 **polyfluoroalkyl substances.**

3 A waste water treatment plant shall conduct a test of
4 sewage sludge to detect the presence of a perfluoroalkyl or
5 polyfluoroalkyl substance prior to providing the sewage sludge
6 for application on land used for farming. If the test detects
7 the presence of a perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substance,
8 the waste water treatment plant shall deliver a written notice of
9 the test results to the owner of the land where the sewage sludge
10 is to be applied. The owner may refuse to accept the sewage
11 sludge without legal consequence.

12 EXPLANATION

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

15 This bill requires a waste water treatment plant to test
16 sewage sludge for perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances
17 (PFAS) prior to providing the sewage sludge for application on
18 land used for farming. If the test detects the presence of PFAS,
19 the waste water treatment plant must notify the owner of the land
20 of that fact. The owner may refuse to accept the sewage sludge
21 without legal consequence.