

HB3157



100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB3157

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 205/205-48 new

Amends the Civil Administrative Code Department of Agriculture Law. Provides that the Department of Agriculture shall identify and track geographical areas in this State that are food deserts. Provides that the Department shall notify respective municipal governmental bodies identified as food deserts and provide an annual report to the General Assembly detailing the locations of food deserts within the State and an analysis of health impacts on populations in locations identified in this State as food deserts. Defines "food desert".

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of Agriculture Law of the Civil
5 Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding Section
6 205-48 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 205/205-48 new)

8 Sec. 205-48. Tracking food deserts. The Department shall
9 identify and track geographical areas in this State that are
10 food deserts. The Department shall notify respective municipal
11 governmental bodies identified as food deserts and provide an
12 annual report to the General Assembly detailing the locations
13 of food deserts within the State and an analysis of health
14 impacts on populations in locations identified as food deserts.
15 For the purposes of this Section, "food desert" means a
16 location vapid of fresh fruit, vegetables, and other healthful
17 whole foods, in part due to a lack of grocery stores, farmers'
18 markets, or healthy food providers.