

HB0729



98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB0729

Introduced 1/25/2013, by Rep. Michael J. Madigan

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

505 ILCS 35/1-2

from Ch. 5, par. 2401-2

Amends the Illinois Conservation Enhancement Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the legislative purpose and policy of the Act.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning agriculture.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Conservation Enhancement Act is
5 amended by changing Section 1-2 as follows:

6 (505 ILCS 35/1-2) (from Ch. 5, par. 2401-2)

7 Sec. 1-2. Purpose and policy. This Act creates 2 major
8 programs, the ~~the~~ Save Illinois Topsoil Program and the
9 Illinois Natural Resource Enhancement Program. It is the
10 purpose of this Act that certain marginal agricultural land be
11 kept or taken out of crop production or pasture to protect soil
12 and water quality and to protect and support fish and wildlife
13 habitat. It is State policy to encourage the retirement of
14 marginal, highly erodible agricultural land, particularly land
15 adjacent to public waters and drainage systems, from crop
16 production and to reestablish a cover of perennial vegetation
17 in order to conserve, protect and enhance important water and
18 land resources.

19 (Source: P.A. 85-960; 86-1475.)