

CHAPTER 686

(House Bill 1106)

AN ACT concerning

Animal Waste Technology Fund - Phytase Projects - Eligibility

FOR the purpose of providing that certain projects to add phytase or other similar enzyme to chicken feed which commenced on or after a certain date are eligible for funding from the Animal Waste Technology Fund; and generally relating to eligibility for the Animal Waste Technology Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development

Section 6-801

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development

6-801.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) (1) "Animal waste technology project" means the research, development, implementation, or market development of technology that is intended to:

[(1)] (I) Reduce the amount of nutrients in animal waste;

[(2)] (II) Alter the composition of animal waste;

[(3)] (III) Develop alternative waste management strategies; or

[(4)] (IV) Use animal waste in a production process.

(2) "ANIMAL WASTE TECHNOLOGY PROJECT" INCLUDES A PROJECT THAT COMMENCED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 1997, TO ADD PHYTASE OR OTHER SIMILAR ENZYME TO CHICKEN FEED.

(c) "Fund" means the Animal Waste Technology Fund.

(d) "Program" means the organizational unit in the Department that administers the Animal Waste Technology Fund.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

Approved May 27, 1999.