

Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development

SUBTITLE 8. ANIMAL WASTE TECHNOLOGY FUND.

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(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "ANIMAL WASTE TECHNOLOGY PROJECT" MEANS THE RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, OR MARKET DEVELOPMENT OF TECHNOLOGY THAT IS INTENDED TO:

- (1) REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF NUTRIENTS IN ANIMAL WASTE;
- (2) ALTER THE COMPOSITION OF ANIMAL WASTE;
- (3) DEVELOP ALTERNATIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES; OR
- (4) USE ANIMAL WASTE IN A PRODUCTION PROCESS.

(C) "FUND" MEANS THE ANIMAL WASTE TECHNOLOGY FUND.

(D) "PROGRAM" MEANS THE ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT THAT ADMINISTERS THE ANIMAL WASTE TECHNOLOGY FUND.

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THE PURPOSE OF THE ANIMAL WASTE TECHNOLOGY FUND IS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESS ENTERPRISES THAT CONDUCT RESEARCH OR DEVELOP TECHNOLOGIES THAT ARE INTENDED TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF NUTRIENTS IN ANIMAL WASTE, ALTER THE COMPOSITION OF ANIMAL WASTE, DEVELOP ALTERNATIVE ANIMAL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES, OR USE ANIMAL WASTE IN A PRODUCTION PROCESS. THE GOAL OF THE FUND IS TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE TECHNOLOGIES THAT HELP PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT BY REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF NUTRIENTS FROM ANIMAL WASTE THAT ARE RELEASED INTO STATE WATERS.

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(A) THERE IS AN ANIMAL WASTE TECHNOLOGY FUND IN THE DEPARTMENT.

(B) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUND NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

(C) THE FUND MAY CONSIST OF:

- (1) MONEYS APPROPRIATED BY THE STATE;
- (2) MONEYS MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH FEDERAL PROGRAMS OR PRIVATE CONTRIBUTIONS;
- (3) INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS THAT THE STATE TREASURER MAKES FROM MONEYS IN THE FUND;