

BY: Senator Astle

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 178

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, after “date;” insert “requiring the Governor to provide sufficient funding to maintain a certain level of field personnel for soil conservation districts;”.

On page 2, in line 20, after “6-107.1” insert “, 8-405”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 8, in line 2, after “gypsum.” insert:

“8-405.

(A) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT, FROM FISCAL YEAR 1991 THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 1998, INADEQUATE RESOURCES HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR THE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS TO EMPLOY ADEQUATE FIELD PERSONNEL TO ASSIST FARMERS IN THE PREPARATION OF SOIL CONSERVATION AND WATER QUALITY PLANS.

(B) IT IS THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND RESOURCES THROUGH THE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS TO ASSIST FARMERS IN PURSUIT OF SOIL CONSERVATION AND WATER QUALITY PLANS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS TITLE.

(C) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO EMPLOY NOT LESS THAN 110 FIELD PERSONNEL IN THE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS UNDER THIS TITLE.”.