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RIGHT TO FARM ACT: ADD IRRIGATION AND GROUND WATER USE

House Bill 5703

Sponsor: Rep. Rose Bogardus

Committee: Agriculture and Resource

Management

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5703 AS INTRODUCED 5-2-00

The bill would amend the Michigan Right to Farm Act to add irrigation and the use of groundwater to the list of activities included under the definition of "farm operation" and to the list of activities which the Michigan Commission of Agriculture would be required to ask the director of the Department of Agriculture to investigate upon receiving a complaint involving a farm or farm operation.

MCL 286.472 and 286.473a

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