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2013-2014 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

April 30, 2013

Introduced by Sen. MAZIARZ -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Agriculture

AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to requests for public information regarding certain farm operations

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. The agriculture and markets law is amended by adding a new 2 section 308-b to read as follows:

3 S 308-B. NOTIFICATION OF FOIL REQUEST. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER 4 PROVISION OF LAW, UPON THE REQUEST OF ANY PERSON OR ENTITY FOR ANY 5 RECORDS OF A FARM OPERATION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION THREE HUNDRED ONE OF 6 THIS ARTICLE, FROM AN AGENCY OR OTHER STATE ENTITY; THE AGENCY OR STATE 7 ENTITY OF WHICH THE REQUEST HAS BEEN MADE SHALL INFORM THE OWNER AND/OR 8 OPERATOR OF SUCH FARM OPERATION IN WRITING THAT A REQUEST FOR RECORDS 9 CONCERNING THEIR FARM OPERATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED, PROVIDE Α DESCRIPTION OF RECORDS REQUESTED AND PROVIDE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE 10 PERSON OR ENTITY REQUESTING SUCH RECORDS. NOTIFICATION OF THE FARM OPER-11 12 ATION IS TO BE MADE BY THE AGENCY OR STATE ENTITY WITHIN FIVE BUSINESS DAYS OF SUBMISSION OF THE RECORDS REQUEST BY THE PERSON OR ENTITY 13 SEEK-14 ING SUCH RECORDS.

15 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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