

**Bill History**  
**Session Year 2008**  
**Raised H.B. No. 5719**

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**Introducer(s):**

Environment Committee

**Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING STEAP GRANTS AND THE CONVERSION OF PRIME FARMLAND TO NONAGRICULTURAL USE.

**Statement of Purpose:** To require that small town economic assistance program grants for projects that would convert twenty-five or more acres of prime farmland to nonagricultural use be contingent upon a finding of the Commissioner of Agriculture that (1) such project promotes agriculture or the goal of agricultural land preservation or (2) there is no reasonable alternative site for the project.

**Bill History:**

02/27/08 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Environment Committee

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