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Overview

A law enacted in 2000 set limits on the amount the owner of an existing feedlot could be required to spend to upgrade the feedlot to MPCA requirements, unless cost-share money was available to cover 75% of the total cost. The actual dollar amount varied, depending on the animal unit capacity of the feedlot. House File 2739 waives the limit if the feedlot is designated a concentrated animal feeding operation under federal regulations.

Section

- 1 **Applications for animal lot permits.** Amends existing statute limiting the maximum cost a feedlot owner can be forced to pay for a feedlot upgrade in the absence of at least 75% cost share grants. The amendment would waive the existing limits in cases where the feedlot meets the federal definition of a concentrated animal feeding operation (CAFO).