Citations Affected:  IC 15-4-2-5.

Synopsis: Tobacco settlement funds. Appropriates from the tobacco lawsuit settlement $20,000,000 for each of the next 25 years to the department of agriculture to make grants to develop new farm commodities in tobacco producing counties or to subsidize tobacco farmers for losses due to reduced tobacco production.

Effective: July 1, 1999.

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January 26, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.
First Regular Session 111th General Assembly (1999)

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in this style type. Also, the word NEW will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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HOUSE BILL No. 1759

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning agriculture and animals and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 15-4-2-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 5. (a) There is appropriated from the settlement referred to in subsection (b) twenty million dollars ($20,000,000) for each state fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, through June 30, 2024, to the department of agriculture for use in providing grants in counties in which tobacco is grown. The grants may be made to the county or to farmers who grow tobacco. The grants must be used to develop new farm commodities in these counties or subsidize tobacco farmers for losses due to reduced tobacco production.

(b) This section refers to the master settlement agreement in the case of State of Indiana ex rel. Jeffrey A. Modisett, Attorney General of Indiana v. PHILIP MORRIS, INCORPORATED; R.J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO CO.; AMERICAN TOBACCO CORP.; BROWN & WILLIAMSON TOBACCO CORP.; LIGGETT & MYERS, INC.; LORILLARD TOBACCO CO., INC.; UNITED
STATES TOBACCO COMPANY; B.A.T. INDUSTRIES, P.L.C.;
BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO COMPANY; HILL &
KNOWLTON, INC.; THE COUNCIL FOR TOBACCO
RESEARCH - U.S.A., INC.; and THE TOBACCO INSTITUTE,
INC.