

HB 978 -- PRESCRIBED BURN ACT

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This bill creates the "Prescribed Burn Act," which specifies that any landowner or agent of a landowner will not be liable for damage, injury, or loss caused by a prescribed burn, as defined in the bill, or the resulting smoke of a prescribed burn so long as the burn is conducted at the direction of a state-certified prescribed burn manager in accordance with a written prescribed burn plan. The bill does not limit liability that would otherwise be incurred by the landowners or their agents conducting a prescribed burn if the damage or injury occurs as a result of malicious or grossly negligent conduct of a prescribed burn.