§1053. De minimus possession and venue

1. De minimus possession. If a genetically engineered product in which a manufacturer has rights is possessed by a farmer or found on the property owned or occupied by the farmer and the presence of the product is either de minimus or not intended by the farmer, the farmer is not liable for breach of a seed contract nor for any damages claimed by the manufacturer.

[PL 2007, c. 602, §5 (NEW).]

2. Venue. An infringement case brought against a grower who does not have a current technology use agreement with a manufacturer must be brought in a venue where the farmer resides or where the disputed crop was grown.

[PL 2007, c. 602, §5 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 2007, c. 602, §5 (NEW).

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