

VENUE IN WATER POLLUTION ACTIONS

House Bill 5410

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Committee: Conservation, Environment

and Recreation

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5410 AS INTRODUCED 12-4-97

Part 31 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA), concerning water pollution control, specifies that a civil action may be initiated by the Department of Environmental Quality against a person who pollutes the state's water resources. The action may be brought in the Ingham County Circuit Court or the circuit court for the county in which the defendant lives or conducts business. <u>House Bill 5410</u> would delete this provision and would specify, instead, that the action would have to be brought in the defendant's county circuit court.

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