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Senate Bill 462 (as introduced 3-23-99)
Sponsor: Senator Ken Sikkema
Committee: Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to require the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) annually to prepare a report that assessed the status and trends related to the State's environment and natural resources.

The report would have to be based on data obtained through sound scientific methodologies and processes and would have to be submitted to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Senate and House Appropriations subcommittees on environmental quality and natural resources. The first report would have to be submitted by March 1, 2000, and subsequent reports by March 1 of each year. The annual reports would have to be made available to the public electronically and in paper format upon request. In preparing the annual report, the DEQ would have to monitor efforts undergoing in other states and nationally to establish uniformity among environmental indicators that might be included within the report.

Proposed MCL 324.2521

Legislative Analyst: N. Nagata

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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