

**HOUSE BILL NO. 5042**

(As amended November 3, 1999)

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled  
"Michigan vehicle code,"  
(MCL 257.1 to 257.923) by adding section 811i.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1        SEC. 811I. (1) THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL DEVELOP UNDER  
2 SECTION 811E AND, UPON APPLICATION, MAY ISSUE UNDER SECTION 811F  
3 A STATE-SPONSORED WATER QUALITY FUND-RAISING REGISTRATION PLATE  
4 AND A MATCHING STATE-SPONSORED WATER QUALITY COLLECTOR PLATE AS  
5 PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 811G. THE PLATE SHALL BE OF A DESIGN AS  
6 DETERMINED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE [AFTER CONSULTATION WITH AND  
ADVICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY].  
7        (2) WATER QUALITY FUND-RAISING REGISTRATION PLATE DONATIONS  
8 COLLECTED UNDER SECTION 811F AND MATCHING WATER QUALITY COLLECTOR  
9 PLATE FUND-RAISING DONATIONS COLLECTED UNDER SECTION 811G SHALL  
10 BE DISBURSED UNDER SECTION 811H BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO THE

1 STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT THE DONATION MONEY TO THE WATER  
2 QUALITY PROTECTION FUND CREATED UNDER SUBSECTION (4).

3 (3) THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY SHALL ESTABLISH  
4 AND ADMINISTER A "WATER QUALITY PROTECTION FUND GRANT PROGRAM"  
5 AND SHALL SET POLICY AND OVERSEE THIS PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM SHALL  
6 PROVIDE GRANTS TO LOCAL UNITS OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
7 PROTECTING THE WATER QUALITY OF THE MICHIGAN GREAT LAKES AND  
8 INLAND LAKES, RIVERS, AND STREAMS. THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMEN-  
9 TAL QUALITY MAY PROMULGATE RULES TO IMPLEMENT THIS GRANT PROGRAM  
10 UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL  
11 24.201 TO 24.328.

12 (4) THE WATER QUALITY PROTECTION FUND IS CREATED WITHIN THE  
13 STATE TREASURY. THE STATE TREASURER MAY RECEIVE MONEY OR OTHER  
14 ASSETS FROM ANY SOURCE FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE FUND. THE STATE  
15 TREASURER SHALL DIRECT THE INVESTMENT OF THE FUND. THE STATE  
16 TREASURER SHALL CREDIT TO THE FUND INTEREST AND EARNINGS FROM  
17 FUND INVESTMENTS. MONEY IN THE FUND AT THE CLOSE OF THE FISCAL  
18 YEAR SHALL REMAIN IN THE FUND AND SHALL NOT LAPSE TO THE GENERAL  
19 FUND. MONEY FROM THE FUND SHALL BE EXPENDED, UPON APPROPRIATION,  
20 ONLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING THE WATER QUALITY OF THE  
21 MICHIGAN GREAT LAKES AND INLAND LAKES, RIVERS, AND STREAMS.

22 (5) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CHAPTER:

23 (A) "LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT" MEANS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

24 (i) A COUNTY, CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP.

25 (ii) AN AGENCY OF A COUNTY, CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP.

26 (iii) THE OFFICE OF A COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER.

1       (iv) A SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT ESTABLISHED UNDER PART 93  
2 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT, 1994  
3 PA 451, MCL 324.9301 TO 324.9313.

4       (v) A WATERSHED COUNCIL ESTABLISHED UNDER PART 311 OF THE  
5 NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT, 1994 PA 451,  
6 MCL 324.31101 TO 324.31119.

7       (vi) A LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN  
8 SECTION 1105 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH CODE, 1978 PA 368, MCL  
9 333.1105.

10       (vii) A COMMUNITY COLLEGE OR JUNIOR COLLEGE ESTABLISHED PUR-  
11 SUANT TO SECTION 7 OF ARTICLE VIII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION OF  
12 1963.

13       (viii) A 4-YEAR INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, PUBLIC OR  
14 PRIVATE, LOCATED IN THIS STATE.

15       (ix) AN AUTHORITY OR OTHER PUBLIC BODY CREATED BY OR PURSU-  
16 ANT TO STATE LAW.

17       (B) "WATER QUALITY FUND-RAISING REGISTRATION PLATE" MEANS A  
18 REGISTRATION PLATE CONTAINING A SPECIALIZED DESIGN PERTAINING TO  
19 THE WATER QUALITY OF THIS STATE.

20       Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect  
21 October 1, 2000.

22       Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take  
23 effect unless Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_  
24 (request no. 03790'99) of the 90th Legislature is enacted into  
25 law.