SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 651

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending sections 9101, 9104, 9105, 9106, 9107, 9108, 9109,
9110, 9112, 9113, 9115, 9117, 9118, 9119, 9120, 9121, and 9123
(MCL 324.9101, 324.9104, 324.9105, 324.9106, 324.9107, 324.9108,
324.9109, 324.9110, 324.9112, 324.9113, 324.9115, 324.9117,
324.9118, 324.9119, 324.9120, 324.9121, and 324.9123), sections
9101, 9104, 9105, 9106, 9107, 9108, 9109, 9110, 9112, 9113, 9115,
9117, 9118, 9119, 9120, and 9123 as added by 1995 PA 60 and section 9121 as amended by 1996 PA 173, and by adding section 9123a;
and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 9101. (1) "Agricultural practices" means all land
- 2 farming operations except the plowing or tilling of land for the
- 3 purpose of crop production or the harvesting of crops.

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1 (2) "Authorized public agency" means a state , local, or

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- 2 county agency designated pursuant to OR AN AGENCY OF A LOCAL
- 3 UNIT OF GOVERNMENT AUTHORIZED UNDER section 9110 to enforce
- 4 IMPLEMENT soil erosion and sedimentation control requirements
- **5** PROCEDURES with regard to <u>land uses</u> EARTH CHANGES undertaken by **6** it.
- 7 (3) "CONSERVATION DISTRICT" MEANS A CONSERVATION DISTRICT
- 8 AUTHORIZED UNDER PART 93.
- 9 (4) "CONSULTANT" MEANS EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 10 (A) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS A CURRENT CERTIFICATE OF TRAINING
- 11 UNDER SECTION 9123.
- 12 (B) A PERSON WHO EMPLOYS 1 OR MORE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE CUR-
- 13 RENT CERTIFICATES OF TRAINING UNDER SECTION 9123.
- 14 (5) (3) "County agency" means an officer, board, commis-
- 15 sion, department, or other entity of county government.
- 16 (6) (4) "County enforcing agency" means an A COUNTY
- 17 agency OR A CONSERVATION DISTRICT designated by a county board of
- 18 commissioners pursuant to UNDER section 9105.
- 19 (7) "COUNTY PROGRAM" OR "COUNTY'S PROGRAM" MEANS A SOIL ERO-
- 20 SION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION
- **21** 9105.
- 22 (8) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
- 23 QUALITY.
- 24 (9) (5) "Earth change" means a human-made change in the
- 25 natural cover or topography of land, including cut and fill
- 26 activities, which may result in or contribute to soil erosion or
- 27 sedimentation of the waters of the state. Earth change does not

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1 include the practice of plowing and tilling soil for the purpose

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- 2 of crop production.
- 3 (6) "Land use" means a use of land that may result in an
- 4 earth change, including but not limited to subdivision, residen-
- 5 tial, commercial, industrial, recreational or other development,
- 6 private and public highway, road and street construction, and
- 7 drainage construction.
- 8 (7) "Local agency" means a county, city, village, or
- 9 charter township.
- 10 (8) "Local enforcing agency" means an agency designated by
- 11 a city, village, or charter township in accordance with section
- **12** 9106.
- (9) "Public agency" means a general law township, a school 13
- 14 board, or any other local or regional public body, authority,
- 15 board, or commission that is not a state, local, or county
- 16 agency.
- 17 (10) "LOCAL ORDINANCE" MEANS AN ORDINANCE ENACTED BY A LOCAL
- 18 UNIT OF GOVERNMENT UNDER THIS PART PROVIDING FOR SOIL EROSION AND
- 19 SEDIMENTATION CONTROL.
- 20 (11) "MUNICIPAL ENFORCING AGENCY" MEANS AN AGENCY DESIGNATED
- 21 BY A MUNICIPALITY UNDER SECTION 9106 TO ENFORCE A LOCAL
- 22 ORDINANCE.
 (12) "MUNICIPALITY" MEANS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

 - (A) A CITY.

 (B) A VILLAGE.

 (C) A CHARTER TOWNSHIP.

 (D) A GENERAL LAW TOWNSHIP THAT IS LOCATED IN A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF 200,000 OR MORE.
- 23 (13) (10) "Rules" means the rules promulgated pursuant to
- 24 section 9104 THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA
- 25 306, MCL 24.201 TO 24.328.
- 26 (14) "SEDIMENT" MEANS SOLID PARTICULATE MATTER, INCLUDING
- 27 BOTH MINERAL AND ORGANIC MATTER, THAT IS IN SUSPENSION IN WATER,

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1 IS BEING TRANSPORTED, OR HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM ITS SITE OF ORIGIN

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- 2 BY THE ACTIONS OF WIND, WATER, OR GRAVITY AND HAS BEEN DEPOSITED
- **3** ELSEWHERE.
- 4 (15) "SOIL EROSION" MEANS THE WEARING AWAY OF LAND BY THE
- 5 ACTION OF WIND, WATER, GRAVITY, OR A COMBINATION OF WIND, WATER,
- 6 OR GRAVITY.
- 7 (16) "STATE AGENCY" MEANS A PRINCIPAL STATE DEPARTMENT.
- 8 (17) "VIOLATION OF THIS PART" OR "VIOLATES THIS PART" MEANS
- 9 A VIOLATION OF THIS PART, THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART,
- 10 A PERMIT ISSUED UNDER THIS PART, OR A LOCAL ORDINANCE ENACTED
- 11 UNDER THIS PART.
- 12 (18) "WATERS OF THE STATE" MEANS THE GREAT LAKES AND THEIR
- 13 CONNECTING WATERS, INLAND LAKES AND STREAMS AS DEFINED IN RULES
- 14 PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART, AND WETLANDS REGULATED UNDER
- **15** PART 303.
- Sec. 9104. (1) The department, with the assistance of the
- 17 department of agriculture, shall promulgate rules for a unified
- 18 soil erosion and sedimentation control program, including provi-
- 19 sions for the review and approval of site plans, land use plans,
- 20 or permits relating to SOIL erosion control and sedimentation
- 21 control. The department shall notify and make copies of proposed
- 22 rules available to state, local, county, and COUNTY ENFORCING
- 23 AGENCIES, MUNICIPAL ENFORCING AGENCIES, AND AUTHORIZED public
- 24 agencies affected by this part for review and comment before
- 25 promulgation.
- 26 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO COUNTY ENFORCING
- 27 AGENCIES, MUNICIPAL ENFORCING AGENCIES, AND AUTHORIZED PUBLIC

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- 1 AGENCIES EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION ON SOIL EROSION AND
- 2 SEDIMENTATION CONTROL TECHNIQUES AND THE BENEFITS OF IMPLEMENTING
- 3 SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL MEASURES. COUNTY ENFORC-
- 4 ING AGENCIES AND MUNICIPAL ENFORCING AGENCIES SHALL DISTRIBUTE
- 5 THIS INFORMATION TO PERSONS RECEIVING PERMITS UNDER A COUNTY PRO-
- 6 GRAM OR A LOCAL ORDINANCE AND TO OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS.
- 7 Sec. 9105. (1) A SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (6), A county is
- 8 responsible for the administration and enforcement of THIS PART
- 9 AND the rules PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART throughout the county
- 10 except within AS FOLLOWS:
- 11 (A) WITHIN a city, village, or charter township
- 12 MUNICIPALITY that has in effect an ordinance conforming to this
- 13 section and except with ASSUMED THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR SOIL ERO-
- 14 SION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL UNDER SECTION 9106.
- 15 (B) WITH regard to land uses EARTH CHANGES of authorized
- 16 public agencies. approved by the department pursuant to section
- **17** 9110.
- 18 (2) The SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (3), THE county board of
- 19 commissioners OF EACH COUNTY, by resolution, shall designate a
- 20 county agency, or a soil conservation district upon the concur-
- 21 rence of the soil conservation district, as the county enforc-
- 22 ing agency responsible for administration and enforcement OF THIS
- 23 PART AND THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART in the name of the
- 24 county. The resolution may set forth a schedule of fees for
- 25 inspections, plan reviews, and permits and may set forth other
- 26 matters relating to the administration and enforcement of THE

1 COUNTY PROGRAM AND this part and the rules PROMULGATED UNDER THIS 2 PART.

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- 3 (3) IN LIEU OF OR IN ADDITION TO A RESOLUTION PROVIDED FOR
- 4 IN SUBSECTION (2), THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF A COUNTY
- 5 MAY PROVIDE BY ORDINANCE FOR SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CON-
- 6 TROL IN THE COUNTY. AN ORDINANCE ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION
- 7 MAY BE MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN, BUT SHALL NOT MAKE LAWFUL THAT
- 8 WHICH IS UNLAWFUL UNDER, THIS PART AND THE RULES PROMULGATED
- 9 UNDER THIS PART. IF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION
- 10 IS MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN THIS PART AND THE RULES PROMULGATED
- 11 UNDER THIS PART, THE COUNTY ENFORCING AGENCY SHALL NOTIFY A
- 12 PERSON RECEIVING A PERMIT UNDER THE ORDINANCE THAT THE ORDINANCE
- 13 IS MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN THIS PART AND THE RULES PROMULGATED
- 14 UNDER THIS PART. THE ORDINANCE SHALL INCORPORATE BY REFERENCE
- 15 THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART THAT DO NOT CONFLICT WITH A
- 16 MORE RESTRICTIVE ORDINANCE AND MAY SET FORTH SUCH OTHER MATTERS
- 17 AS THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONSIDERS NECESSARY OR
- 18 DESIRABLE. THE ORDINANCE MAY PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR A VIOLATION
- 19 OF THE ORDINANCE THAT ARE CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 9121.
- 20 (4) A copy of the A resolution OR ORDINANCE ADOPTED UNDER
- 21 THIS SECTION and all subsequent amendments to the resolution OR
- 22 ORDINANCE shall be forwarded to the department -- FOR THE
- 23 DEPARTMENT'S REVIEW AND APPROVAL. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL FORWARD A
- 24 COPY TO THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR THAT COUNTY FOR REVIEW AND
- 25 COMMENT.
- 26 (5) $\overline{(3)}$ Two or more counties may provide for joint
- 27 enforcement and administration OF THIS PART AND THE RULES

- 1 PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART by entering into an interlocal
- 2 agreement pursuant to the urban cooperation act of 1967, Act
- 3 No. 7 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1967, being sec-

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- 4 tions 124.501 to 124.512 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1967 (EX
- **5** SESS) PA 7, MCL 124.501 TO 124.512.
- 6 (6) WITHIN 3 YEARS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDA-
- 7 TORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONDUCT
- 8 AN INITIAL REVIEW OF EACH COUNTY'S SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION
- 9 CONTROL PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED BY THE
- 10 DEPARTMENT. IF THE DEPARTMENT APPROVES A COUNTY PROGRAM, ITS
- 11 APPROVAL IS VALID FOR A 3-YEAR PERIOD. AFTER THE INITIAL REVIEW,
- 12 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONDUCT A REVIEW OF A COUNTY'S PROGRAM EVERY
- 13 3 YEARS. THE REVIEW SHALL BE CONDUCTED AT LEAST 6 MONTHS BEFORE
- 14 THE EXPIRATION OF EACH SUCCEEDING 3-YEAR PERIOD. THE DEPARTMENT
- 15 SHALL APPROVE A COUNTY'S PROGRAM IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONDI-
- 16 TIONS ARE MET:
- 17 (A) THE COUNTY HAS PASSED A RESOLUTION OR ENACTED AN ORDI-
- 18 NANCE AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.
- 19 (B) THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY WHO ARE
- 20 RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING THE COUNTY PROGRAM HAVE CURRENT
- 21 CERTIFICATES OF TRAINING UNDER SECTION 9123.
- 22 (C) THE COUNTY HAS EFFECTIVELY ADMINISTERED AND ENFORCED THE
- 23 COUNTY PROGRAM IN THE PAST 3 YEARS OR HAS IMPLEMENTED CHANGES IN
- 24 ITS ADMINISTRATION OR ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES THAT THE DEPARTMENT
- 25 DETERMINES WILL RESULT IN THE COUNTY EFFECTIVELY ADMINISTERING
- 26 AND ENFORCING THE COUNTY PROGRAM. IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE

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- 1 COUNTY HAS MET THE REQUIREMENT OF THIS SUBDIVISION, THE
- 2 DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSIDER ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 3 (i) WHETHER A MECHANISM IS IN PLACE TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO
- 4 ADMINISTER THE COUNTY'S PROGRAM.
- 5 (ii) WHETHER THE COUNTY HAS CONDUCTED ADEQUATE INSPECTIONS
- 6 TO ASSURE MINIMIZATION OF SOIL EROSION AND OFF-SITE
- 7 SEDIMENTATION.
- 8 (iii) THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE COUNTY'S PAST COMPLIANCE AND
- 9 ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS.
- 10 (iv) THE ADEQUACY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE APPLICATIONS AND
- 11 SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PLANS BEING ACCEPTED BY
- 12 THE COUNTY.
- 13 (v) THE ADEQUACY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PERMITS ISSUED BY
- 14 THE COUNTY AND THE INSPECTIONS BEING PERFORMED BY THE COUNTY.
- 15 (vi) THE CONDITIONS AT CONSTRUCTION SITES UNDER THE JURIS-
- 16 DICTION OF THE COUNTY AS DOCUMENTED BY DEPARTMENTAL INSPECTIONS.
- 17 (7) FOLLOWING A REVIEW UNDER SUBSECTION (6), THE DEPARTMENT
- 18 SHALL NOTIFY THE COUNTY OF THE RESULTS OF ITS REVIEW AND WHETHER
- 19 THE DEPARTMENT PROPOSES TO APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE THE COUNTY'S
- 20 PROGRAM. WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE UNDER THIS SUB-
- 21 SECTION, A COUNTY MAY REQUEST AND THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HOLD AN
- 22 INFORMAL MEETING TO DISCUSS THE REVIEW AND THE PROPOSED ACTION BY
- 23 THE DEPARTMENT.
- 24 (8) FOLLOWING THE MEETING UNDER SUBSECTION (7), IF
- 25 REQUESTED, AND CONSIDERATION OF THE REVIEW UNDER SUBSECTION (6),
- 26 IF THE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT APPROVE A COUNTY'S PROGRAM, THE
- 27 DEPARTMENT SHALL ENTER AN ORDER, STIPULATION, OR CONSENT

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- 1 AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 9112(2) PLACING THE COUNTY ON PROBATION.
- 2 IN ADDITION, AT ANY TIME THAT THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT A
- 3 COUNTY THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER
- 4 SUBSECTION (6) IS NOT SATISFACTORILY ADMINISTERING AND ENFORCING
- 5 THE COUNTY'S PROGRAM, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENTER INTO AN ORDER,
- 6 STIPULATION, OR CONSENT AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 9112(2) PLACING
- 7 THE COUNTY ON PROBATION. DURING THE 6-MONTH PERIOD AFTER A
- 8 COUNTY IS PLACED ON PROBATION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSULT WITH
- 9 THE COUNTY ON HOW THE COUNTY COULD CHANGE ITS ADMINISTRATION OF
- 10 THE COUNTY PROGRAM IN A MANNER THAT WOULD RESULT IN ITS
- 11 APPROVAL.
- 12 (9) WITHIN 6 MONTHS AFTER A COUNTY HAS BEEN PLACED ON PROBA-
- 13 TION UNDER SUBSECTION (8), THE COUNTY MAY NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT
- 14 THAT IT INTENDS TO HIRE A CONSULTANT TO ADMINISTER THE COUNTY'S
- 15 PROGRAM. IF, WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER NOTIFYING THE DEPARTMENT, THE
- 16 COUNTY HIRES A CONSULTANT THAT IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT,
- 17 THEN WITHIN 1 YEAR AFTER THE COUNTY HIRES THE CONSULTANT, THE
- 18 DEPARTMENT SHALL CONDUCT A REVIEW OF THE COUNTY'S PROGRAM TO
- 19 DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THE COUNTY PROGRAM CAN BE APPROVED.
- 20 (10) IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING OCCUR, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 21 HIRE A CONSULTANT TO ADMINISTER THE COUNTY'S PROGRAM:
- 22 (A) THE COUNTY DOES NOT NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT OF ITS INTENT
- 23 TO HIRE A CONSULTANT UNDER SUBSECTION (9).
- 24 (B) THE COUNTY DOES NOT HIRE A CONSULTANT THAT IS ACCEPTABLE
- 25 TO THE DEPARTMENT WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER NOTIFYING THE DEPARTMENT
- 26 OF ITS INTENT TO HIRE A CONSULTANT UNDER SUBSECTION (9).

1 (C) THE COUNTY REMAINS UNAPPROVED FOLLOWING THE DEPARTMENT'S

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- 2 REVIEW UNDER SUBSECTION (9).
- 3 (11) UPON HIRING A CONSULTANT UNDER SUBSECTION (10), THE
- 4 DEPARTMENT MAY ESTABLISH A SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR INSPECTIONS,
- 5 REVIEW OF SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PLANS, AND PER-
- 6 MITS FOR THE COUNTY'S PROGRAM THAT WILL PROVIDE SUFFICIENT REVE-
- 7 NUES TO PAY FOR THE COST OF THE CONTRACT WITH THE CONSULTANT, OR
- 8 THE DEPARTMENT MAY BILL THE COUNTY FOR THE COST OF THE CONTRACT
- 9 WITH THE CONSULTANT. AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION, "COST OF THE
- 10 CONTRACT" MEANS THE ACTUAL COST OF A CONTRACT WITH A CONSULTANT
- 11 PLUS THE DOCUMENTED COSTS TO THE DEPARTMENT IN ADMINISTERING THE
- 12 CONTRACT, BUT NOT TO EXCEED 10% OF THE ACTUAL COST OF THE
- **13** CONTRACT.
- 14 (12) AT ANY TIME THAT A COUNTY IS ON PROBATION AS PROVIDED
- 15 FOR IN THIS SECTION, THE COUNTY MAY REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT TO
- 16 CONDUCT A REVIEW OF THE COUNTY'S PROGRAM. IF, UPON SUCH REVIEW,
- 17 THE COUNTY HAS IMPLEMENTED APPROPRIATE CHANGES TO THE COUNTY'S
- 18 PROGRAM, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL APPROVE THE COUNTY'S PROGRAM. IF
- 19 THE DEPARTMENT APPROVES A COUNTY'S PROGRAM UNDER THIS SUBSECTION,
- 20 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL RESCIND ITS ORDER, STIPULATION, OR CONSENT
- 21 AGREEMENT THAT PLACED THE COUNTY ON PROBATION.
- Sec. 9106. (1) A city, village, or charter township
- 23 SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (3), A MUNICIPALITY by ordinance may pro-
- 24 vide for soil erosion and sedimentation control on public and
- 25 private land uses EARTH CHANGES within its boundaries except
- 26 that a charter township ordinance shall not be applicable
- 27 within a village that has in effect SUCH an ordinance. providing

1 soil erosion and sedimentation control. An ordinance may be more

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- 2 restrictive than, but may SHALL not make lawful that which is
- 3 unlawful under, this part and the rules PROMULGATED UNDER THIS
- 4 PART. IF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTED UNDER THIS SECTION IS MORE
- 5 RESTRICTIVE THAN THIS PART AND THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS
- 6 PART, THE MUNICIPAL ENFORCING AGENCY SHALL NOTIFY A PERSON
- 7 RECEIVING A PERMIT UNDER THE ORDINANCE THAT THE ORDINANCE IS MORE
- 8 RESTRICTIVE THAN THIS PART AND THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS
- 9 PART. The ordinance may adopt all or part of SHALL INCORPORATE
- 10 BY REFERENCE the rules by reference PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART
- 11 THAT DO NOT CONFLICT WITH A MORE RESTRICTIVE ORDINANCE, shall
- 12 designate a local MUNICIPAL enforcing agency responsible for
- 13 administration and enforcement of the ordinance, and may set
- 14 forth such other matters as the legislative body considers neces-
- 15 sary or desirable. The ordinance shall be applicable and shall
- 16 be enforced with regard to all private and public -land uses
- 17 EARTH CHANGES within the city, village, or charter township
- 18 MUNICIPALITY except land uses of EARTH CHANGES BY an authorized
- 19 public agency. designated pursuant to section 9110. The city,
- 20 village, or charter township THE MUNICIPALITY may consult with a
- 21 soil conservation district for assistance or advice in the
- 22 preparation of the ordinance. THE ORDINANCE MAY PROVIDE PENAL-
- 23 TIES FOR A VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE THAT ARE CONSISTENT WITH
- **24** SECTION 9121.
- 25 (2) On July 1, 1975, an AN ordinance RELATED TO SOIL ERO-
- 26 SION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL that is not approved by the
- 27 department as conforming to the minimum requirements of this part

- 1 and the rules PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART has no force or
- 2 effect. With regard to a city, village, or charter township
- 3 ordinance in effect prior to July 1, 1974, a copy of the ordi-
- 4 nance shall be submitted to the department before September 1,
- 5 1974. With regard to an ordinance or an amendment proposed to be
- 6 adopted on or after July 1, 1974, a A MUNICIPALITY SHALL SUBMIT
- 7 A copy of the ITS proposed ordinance or OF A proposed amendment
- 8 shall be submitted TO ITS ORDINANCE to the department for
- 9 approval before adoption. The department shall forward a copy to
- 10 THE COUNTY ENFORCING AGENCY OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE MUNICIPAL-
- 11 ITY IS LOCATED AND the appropriate soil conservation district
- 12 for review and comment. Within 90 days after it THE DEPARTMENT
- 13 receives an existing ordinance, proposed ordinance, or amendment,
- 14 the department shall notify the clerk of the city, village, or
- 15 charter township MUNICIPALITY of its approval or disapproval
- 16 along with recommendations for revision to the extent that IF
- 17 the ordinance, proposed ordinance, or amendment does not conform
- 18 to the minimum requirements of this part or the rules PROMULGATED
- 19 UNDER THIS PART. If the department does not notify the clerk of
- 20 the local unit within the 90-day period, the ordinance, proposed
- 21 ordinance, or amendment shall be considered to have been approved
- 22 by the department.
- 23 (3) AFTER A DATE DETERMINED BY A SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED BY THE
- 24 DEPARTMENT, BUT NOT LATER THAN 3 YEARS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE
- 25 OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBSECTION, A MUNICIPALITY
- 26 SHALL NOT ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE THIS PART OR THE RULES
- 27 PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART OR A LOCAL ORDINANCE UNLESS THE

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- 1 DEPARTMENT HAS APPROVED THE MUNICIPALITY. AN APPROVAL UNDER THIS
- 2 SECTION IS VALID FOR 3 YEARS, AFTER WHICH THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 3 REVIEW THE MUNICIPALITY FOR REAPPROVAL. AT LEAST 6 MONTHS BEFORE
- 4 THE EXPIRATION OF EACH SUCCEEDING 3-YEAR APPROVAL PERIOD, THE
- 5 DEPARTMENT SHALL COMPLETE A REVIEW OF THE MUNICIPALITY FOR
- 6 REAPPROVAL. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL APPROVE A MUNICIPALITY IF ALL
- 7 OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:
- 8 (A) THE MUNICIPALITY HAS ENACTED AN ORDINANCE AS PROVIDED IN
- 9 THIS SECTION THAT IS AT LEAST AS RESTRICTIVE AS THIS PART AND THE
- 10 RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART.
- 11 (B) THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY WHO ARE
- 12 RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING THE SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION
- 13 CONTROL PROGRAM FOR THE MUNICIPALITY HAVE CURRENT CERTIFICATES OF
- 14 TRAINING UNDER SECTION 9123.
- 15 (C) THE MUNICIPALITY HAS SUBMITTED EVIDENCE OF ITS ABILITY
- 16 TO EFFECTIVELY ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE A SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMEN-
- 17 TATION CONTROL PROGRAM. IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE MUNICIPALITY
- 18 HAS MET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBDIVISION, THE DEPARTMENT
- 19 SHALL CONSIDER ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 20 (i) WHETHER A MECHANISM IS IN PLACE TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO
- 21 ADMINISTER THE MUNICIPALITY'S SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CON-
- 22 TROL PROGRAM.
- 23 (ii) THE ADEQUACY OF THE DOCUMENTS PROPOSED FOR USE BY THE
- 24 MUNICIPALITY INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, APPLICATION FORMS,
- 25 SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PLAN REQUIREMENTS, PERMIT
- 26 FORMS, AND INSPECTION REPORTS.

1 (iii) IF THE MUNICIPALITY HAS PREVIOUSLY ADMINISTERED A SOIL

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- 2 EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PROGRAM, WHETHER THE
- 3 MUNICIPALITY EFFECTIVELY ADMINISTERED AND ENFORCED THE PROGRAM IN
- 4 THE PAST OR HAS IMPLEMENTED CHANGES IN ITS ADMINISTRATION OR
- 5 ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES THAT THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES WILL RESULT
- 6 IN THE MUNICIPALITY EFFECTIVELY ADMINISTERING AND ENFORCING A
- 7 SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PROGRAM IN COMPLIANCE WITH
- 8 THIS PART AND THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART. IN DETER-
- 9 MINING WHETHER THE MUNICIPALITY HAS MET THE REQUIREMENT OF THIS
- 10 SUBPARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSIDER ALL OF THE
- 11 FOLLOWING:
- 12 (A) WHETHER THE MUNICIPALITY HAS HAD ADEQUATE FUNDING TO
- 13 ADMINISTER THE MUNICIPALITY'S SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CON-
- 14 TROL PROGRAM.
- 15 (B) WHETHER THE MUNICIPALITY HAS CONDUCTED ADEQUATE INSPEC-
- 16 TIONS TO ASSURE MINIMIZATION OF SOIL EROSION AND OFF-SITE
- 17 SEDIMENTATION.
- 18 (C) THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE MUNICIPALITY'S PAST COMPLIANCE
- 19 AND ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS.
- 20 (D) THE ADEQUACY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE APPLICATIONS AND
- 21 SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PLANS BEING ACCEPTED BY
- 22 THE MUNICIPALITY.
- 23 (E) THE ADEQUACY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PERMITS ISSUED BY
- 24 THE MUNICIPALITY AND THE INSPECTIONS BEING PERFORMED BY THE
- 25 MUNICIPALITY.

- 1 (F) THE CONDITIONS AT CONSTRUCTION SITES UNDER THE
- 2 JURISDICTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY AS DOCUMENTED BY DEPARTMENTAL

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- 3 INSPECTIONS.
- 4 (4) IF THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT A MUNICIPALITY IS NOT
- 5 APPROVED UNDER SUBSECTION (3) OR THAT A MUNICIPALITY THAT WAS
- 6 PREVIOUSLY APPROVED UNDER SUBSECTION (3) IS NOT SATISFACTORILY
- 7 ADMINISTERING AND ENFORCING THIS PART AND THE RULES PROMULGATED
- 8 UNDER THIS PART, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENTER AN ORDER, STIPULA-
- 9 TION, OR CONSENT AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 9112(2) DENYING THE
- 10 MUNICIPALITY AUTHORITY OR REVOKING THE MUNICIPALITY'S AUTHORITY
- 11 TO ADMINISTER A SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PROGRAM.
- 12 UPON ENTRY OF THIS ORDER, STIPULATION, OR CONSENT AGREEMENT, THE
- 13 COUNTY PROGRAM FOR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE MUNICIPALITY IS
- 14 LOCATED BECOMES OPERATIVE WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY.
- 15 (5) A MUNICIPALITY THAT ELECTS TO RESCIND ITS ORDINANCE
- 16 SHALL NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT. UPON RESCISSION OF ITS ORDINANCE,
- 17 THE COUNTY PROGRAM FOR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE MUNICIPALITY IS
- 18 LOCATED BECOMES OPERATIVE WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY.
- 19 (6) A MUNICIPALITY THAT RESCINDS ITS ORDINANCE OR IS NOT
- 20 APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM SHALL RETAIN
- 21 JURISDICTION OVER PROJECTS UNDER PERMIT AT THAT TIME. THE MUNIC-
- 22 IPALITY SHALL RETAIN JURISDICTION UNTIL THE PROJECTS ARE COM-
- 23 PLETED AND STABILIZED OR THE COUNTY AGREES TO ASSUME JURISDICTION
- 24 OVER THE PERMITTED EARTH CHANGES.
- 25 Sec. 9107. A county or local enforcing agency shall notify
- 26 the department of all violations of this part or the rules or
- 27 violations of the ordinance, including violations attributable to

- 1 a land use by an authorized public agency. IF A LOCAL UNIT OF
- 2 GOVERNMENT HAS NOTICE THAT A VIOLATION OF THIS PART HAS OCCURRED
- 3 WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THAT LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING
- 4 BUT NOT LIMITED TO A VIOLATION ATTRIBUTABLE TO AN EARTH CHANGE BY
- 5 AN AUTHORIZED PUBLIC AGENCY, THE LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT SHALL
- 6 NOTIFY THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY ENFORCING AGENCY AND MUNICIPAL
- 7 ENFORCING AGENCY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF THE VIOLATION.
- 8 Sec. 9108. As a condition for the issuance of a permit, the
- 9 county ENFORCING AGENCY or local MUNICIPAL enforcing agency may
- 10 require the applicant to deposit with the clerk of the local
- 11 agency COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY in the form of cash, a certified
- 12 check, or an irrevocable bank letter of credit, whichever the
- 13 applicant selects, or a surety bond acceptable to the legislative
- 14 body OF THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY or TO the local COUNTY
- 15 ENFORCING AGENCY OR MUNICIPAL ENFORCING agency, in an amount suf-
- 16 ficient to assure the installation and completion of such protec-
- 17 tive or corrective measures as may be required by the county
- 18 ENFORCING AGENCY or local MUNICIPAL enforcing agency.
- 19 Sec. 9109. (1) An authorized public agency, or a county
- 20 ENFORCING AGENCY, or local MUNICIPAL enforcing agency may enter
- 21 into an agreement with a soil conservation district for assist-
- 22 ance and advice in overseeing and reviewing compliance with
- 23 adequate soil erosion and sedimentation control procedures and
- 24 in reviewing existing or proposed land uses, land use EARTH
- 25 CHANGES, EARTH CHANGE plans, or site plans with regard to techni-
- 26 cal matters pertaining to soil erosion and sedimentation
- 27 control. In addition to or in the absence of such agreements,

- 1 -soil conservation districts may perform periodic reviews and
- 2 evaluations of the AUTHORIZED PUBLIC AGENCY'S, COUNTY ENFORCING
- 3 AGENCY'S, OR MUNICIPAL ENFORCING agency's operation PROGRAMS OR
- 4 procedures pursuant to standards and specifications developed in
- 5 cooperation with the respective districts and as approved by the
- 6 department. Such THESE reviews and evaluations shall be sub-
- 7 mitted to the administering agency of the department for appro-
- 8 priate action.
- 9 (2) A person engaged in agricultural practices may enter
- 10 into AN agreement with the appropriate soil conservation dis-
- 11 trict to pursue agricultural practices in accordance with and
- 12 subject to THIS PART, the rules promulgated by the department
- 13 pursuant to section 9104 UNDER THIS PART, AND ANY APPLICABLE
- 14 LOCAL ORDINANCE. If a person enters into an agreement with a
- 15 soil conservation district, the CONSERVATION district shall
- 16 notify the county ENFORCING AGENCY or local enforcement
- 17 MUNICIPAL ENFORCING agency or the department IN WRITING of the
- 18 agreement. Upon formal ENTERING INTO THE agreement and in
- 19 compliance with this part as provided in UNDER this subsection,
- 20 a person is not subject to any site plans, land use plans, or
- 21 permits required pursuant to UNDER this part, but is subject
- 22 to enforcement as provided by sections 9112 and 9113 after
- 23 January 1, 1979 REQUIRED TO DEVELOP PROJECT SPECIFIC SOIL ERO-
- 24 SION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PLANS AND IS SUBJECT TO THE REME-
- 25 DIES PROVIDED FOR IN THIS PART FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS PART.
- 26 Sec. 9110. (1) A SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (4), A state -,
- 27 local , or county agency OR AN AGENCY OF A LOCAL UNIT OF

- 1 GOVERNMENT may apply to the department for designation as an
- 2 authorized public agency by submitting to the department the soil
- 3 erosion and sedimentation control procedures governing all land
- 4 uses EARTH CHANGES normally undertaken by the agency. If the
- 5 applicant is a local or county AN agency OF A LOCAL UNIT OF
- 6 GOVERNMENT, the department shall submit the procedures to the
- 7 COUNTY ENFORCING AGENCY AND THE appropriate soil conservation
- 8 district for review. , and the soil THE COUNTY ENFORCING AGENCY
- 9 AND THE conservation district shall submit its THEIR comments
- 10 on the procedures to the department within 60 days. If the
- 11 applicant is a state agency, the department shall submit the pro-
- 12 cedures to the department of agriculture for review, and the
- 13 department of agriculture shall submit its comments on the proce-
- 14 dures to the department within 60 days.
- 15 (2) If the department finds that a local agency's soil ero-
- 16 sion and sedimentation control procedures are adequate, the
- 17 department may delegate to that local agency authority to approve
- 18 local or county agency soil erosion and sedimentation control
- 19 procedures and designate the local or county agency as an autho-
- 20 rized public agency. SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (4), IF THE DEPART-
- 21 MENT FINDS THAT THE SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PROCE-
- 22 DURES OF THE STATE AGENCY OR THE AGENCY OF THE LOCAL UNIT OF GOV-
- 23 ERNMENT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS PART AND RULES PROMULGATED
- 24 UNDER THIS PART, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DESIGNATE THE AGENCY AS AN
- 25 AUTHORIZED PUBLIC AGENCY.
- 26 (3) After SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (4), AFTER approval of the
- 27 procedures and designation as an authorized public agency

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- 1 pursuant to subsection (1) or (2), all affected land uses EARTH
- 2 CHANGES maintained or undertaken by the authorized public agency
- 3 shall be undertaken pursuant to the approved procedures. If
- 4 determined necessary by the department and upon request of an
- 5 authorized PUBLIC agency, the department may grant a variance
- 6 from the provisions of this subsection.
- 7 (4) AFTER A DATE DETERMINED BY A SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED BY THE
- 8 DEPARTMENT, BUT NOT LATER THAN 3 YEARS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE
- 9 OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBSECTION, A STATE AGENCY
- 10 OR AN AGENCY OF A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT SHALL NOT ADMINISTER
- 11 AND ENFORCE THIS PART AND THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART
- 12 AS AN AUTHORIZED PUBLIC AGENCY UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT HAS APPROVED
- 13 THE AGENCY UNDER THIS SECTION. AN APPROVAL UNDER THIS SECTION IS
- 14 VALID FOR 3 YEARS, AFTER WHICH THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REVIEW THE
- 15 AGENCY FOR REAPPROVAL. AT LEAST 6 MONTHS BEFORE THE EXPIRATION
- 16 OF EACH SUCCEEDING 3-YEAR PERIOD, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL COMPLETE A
- 17 REVIEW OF THE AUTHORIZED PUBLIC AGENCY FOR REAPPROVAL. THE
- 18 DEPARTMENT SHALL APPROVE A STATE AGENCY OR AN AGENCY OF A LOCAL
- 19 UNIT OF GOVERNMENT IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:
- 20 (A) THE AGENCY HAS ADOPTED SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION
- 21 CONTROL PROCEDURES THAT ARE AT LEAST AS RESTRICTIVE AS THIS PART
- 22 AND THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART.
- 23 (B) THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY WHO ARE
- 24 RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING THE SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION
- 25 CONTROL PROCEDURES HAVE CURRENT CERTIFICATES OF TRAINING UNDER
- **26** SECTION 9123.

1 (C) THE AGENCY HAS SUBMITTED EVIDENCE OF ITS ABILITY TO

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- 2 EFFECTIVELY ADMINISTER SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL
- 3 PROCEDURES. IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE AGENCY HAS MET THE
- 4 REQUIREMENT OF THIS SUBDIVISION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSIDER
- 5 ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 6 (i) FUNDING TO ADMINISTER THE AGENCY'S SOIL EROSION AND SED-
- 7 IMENTATION CONTROL PROGRAM.
- 8 (ii) THE AGENCY'S PLANS FOR INSPECTIONS TO ASSURE MINIMIZA-
- 9 TION OF SOIL EROSION AND OFF-SITE SEDIMENTATION.
- 10 (iii) THE ADEQUACY OF THE AGENCY'S SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMEN-
- 11 TATION CONTROL PROCEDURES.
- 12 (iv) IF THE AGENCY HAS PREVIOUSLY ADMINISTERED SOIL EROSION
- 13 AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PROCEDURES, THE AGENCY HAS EFFECTIVELY
- 14 ADMINISTERED THESE PROCEDURES OR HAS IMPLEMENTED CHANGES IN THEIR
- 15 ADMINISTRATION THAT THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES WILL RESULT IN THE
- 16 AGENCY EFFECTIVELY ADMINISTERING THE SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTA-
- 17 TION CONTROL PROCEDURES. IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE AGENCY HAS
- 18 MET THE REQUIREMENT OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 19 CONSIDER ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 20 (A) WHETHER THE AGENCY HAS HAD ADEQUATE FUNDING TO ADMINIS-
- 21 TER THE AGENCY'S SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PROGRAM.
- 22 (B) WHETHER THE AGENCY HAS CONDUCTED ADEQUATE INSPECTIONS TO
- 23 ASSURE MINIMIZATION OF SOIL EROSION AND OFF-SITE SEDIMENTATION.
- 24 (C) THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE AGENCY'S PAST COMPLIANCE AND
- 25 ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS.
- 26 (D) THE ADEQUACY OF THE AGENCY'S SOIL EROSION AND
- 27 SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PLANS AND PROCEDURES AS REQUIRED BY RULE.

- 1 (E) THE CONDITIONS AT CONSTRUCTION SITES UNDER THE
- 2 JURISDICTION OF THE AGENCY AS DOCUMENTED BY DEPARTMENTAL
- 3 INSPECTIONS.
- 4 (5) IF THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT A STATE AGENCY OR AN
- 5 AGENCY OF A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT IS NOT APPROVED UNDER SUB-
- 6 SECTION (4) OR THAT A STATE AGENCY OR AN AGENCY OF A LOCAL UNIT
- 7 OF GOVERNMENT THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED UNDER SUBSECTION (4)
- 8 IS NOT SATISFACTORILY ADMINISTERING AND ENFORCING THIS PART AND
- 9 THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENTER
- 10 AN ORDER, STIPULATION, OR CONSENT AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 9112(2)
- 11 DENYING OR REVOKING THE DESIGNATION OF THE STATE AGENCY OR AGENCY
- 12 OF A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT AS AN AUTHORIZED PUBLIC AGENCY.
- 13 Sec. 9112. (1) A person shall not maintain or undertake a
- 14 land use or AN earth change governed by this part, or the
- 15 rules or governed by PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART, OR an appli-
- 16 cable local ordinance, except in accordance with this part and
- 17 the rules PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART or with the applicable
- 18 local ordinance, and pursuant to a permit approved by the appro-
- 19 priate county ENFORCING AGENCY or -local MUNICIPAL enforcing
- 20 agency. A person who violates this subsection is guilty of a
- 21 misdemeanor.
- 22 (2) If in the opinion of the department a person, or a
- 23 state, local, county, or public agency INCLUDING AN AUTHORIZED
- 24 PUBLIC AGENCY, violates this part, the rules PROMULGATED UNDER
- 25 THIS PART, or an applicable local ordinance, or an appropriate
- 26 local A COUNTY ENFORCING AGENCY OR MUNICIPAL ENFORCING agency
- 27 fails to enforce this part, the rules PROMULGATED UNDER THIS

1 PART, or an applicable local ordinance, the department may notify

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- 2 the alleged offender IN WRITING of its determination. IF THE
- 3 DEPARTMENT PLACES A COUNTY ON PROBATION UNDER SECTION 9105, A
- 4 MUNICIPALITY IS NOT APPROVED UNDER SECTION 9106, OR A STATE
- 5 AGENCY OR AGENCY OF A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT IS NOT APPROVED
- 6 UNDER SECTION 9110, OR IF THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT A MUNIC-
- 7 IPAL ENFORCING AGENCY OR AUTHORIZED PUBLIC AGENCY IS NOT SATIS-
- 8 FACTORILY ADMINISTERING AND ENFORCING THIS PART AND RULES PROMUL-
- 9 GATED UNDER THIS PART, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY THE COUNTY,
- 10 MUNICIPALITY, STATE AGENCY, OR AGENCY OF A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERN-
- 11 MENT IN WRITING OF ITS DETERMINATION OR ACTION. The notice shall
- 12 contain, in addition to a statement of the specific violation OR
- 13 FAILURE that the department believes to exist, a proposed form
- 14 of order, stipulation for agreement, or other action that the
- 15 department considers appropriate to assure timely correction of
- 16 the violation -, and the OR FAILURE. THE notice shall set a
- 17 date for a hearing not less than 4 nor more than 8 weeks from the
- 18 date of the notice of determination. Extensions of the date of
- 19 the hearing may be granted by the department or on request. At
- 20 the hearing, any interested party may appear, present witnesses,
- 21 and submit evidence. A person or a state, local, county, or
- 22 public agency that WHO has been served with a notice of determi-
- 23 nation may file a written answer to the notice of determination
- 24 before the date set for hearing or at the hearing may appear and
- 25 present oral or written testimony and evidence on the charges and
- 26 proposed requirements of the department to assure correction of
- 27 the violation OR FAILURE. If a person or a state, local,

1 county, or public agency served with the notice of determination

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- 2 agrees with the proposed requirements of the department and noti-
- 3 fies the department of that agreement before the date set for the
- 4 hearing, disposition of the case may be made with the approval of
- 5 the department by stipulation or consent order AGREEMENT with-
- 6 out further hearing. The final order of determination following
- 7 the hearing, or the stipulation or consent order as authorized by
- 8 this section and approved by the department, is conclusive unless
- 9 reviewed in accordance with the administrative procedures act of
- 10 1969, Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, being
- 11 sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1969 PA
- 12 306, MCL 24.201 TO 24.328, in the circuit court of Ingham county,
- 13 or of the county in which the violation occurred, upon petition
- 14 filed within 15 days after the service upon the person or the
- 15 state, local, county, or public agency of the final order of
- 16 determination.
- 17 Sec. 9113. (1) Notwithstanding the existence or pursuit of
- 18 any other remedy, except as provided in section 9109, the
- 19 department or any local or A county ENFORCING AGENCY OR
- 20 MUNICIPAL enforcing agency may maintain an action in its own name
- 21 in a court of competent jurisdiction for an injunction or other
- 22 process against any A person to restrain or prevent violations
- 23 of this part. , the rules, or an applicable local ordinance.
- 24 (2) The department or any AN agent duly appointed by it
- 25 or any county or local enforcement THE DEPARTMENT, A COUNTY
- 26 ENFORCING AGENCY, OR A MUNICIPAL ENFORCING agency may enter at
- 27 all reasonable times in or upon any private or public property

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- 1 for the purpose of inspecting and investigating conditions or
- 2 practices that may be in violation of this part. , the rules, or

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- 3 an applicable local ordinance.
- Sec. 9115. This part does not apply to land on which a
- 5 person is engaged in the industry generally referred to as log-
- 6 ging, the industry generally referred to as mining, or the plow-
- 7 ing or tilling of land for the purpose of crop production or the
- 8 harvesting of crops.
- (1) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (2), A PERSON ENGAGED IN THE LOGGING INDUSTRY, THE MINING
- 10 INDUSTRY, OR THE PLOWING OR TILLING OF LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF
- 11 CROP PRODUCTION OR THE HARVESTING OF CROPS IS NOT REQUIRED TO
- 12 OBTAIN A PERMIT UNDER THIS PART. HOWEVER, ALL EARTH CHANGES
- 13 ASSOCIATED WITH THE ACTIVITIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION SHALL CON-
- 14 FORM TO THE SAME STANDARDS AS IF THEY REQUIRED A PERMIT UNDER
- 15 THIS PART. THE EXEMPTION FROM OBTAINING A PERMIT UNDER THIS SUB-
- 16 SECTION DOES NOT INCLUDE EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 17 (A) ACCESS ROADS TO AND FROM THE SITE WHERE ACTIVE MINING OR
- 18 LOGGING IS TAKING PLACE.
- 19 (B) ANCILLARY ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH LOGGING AND
- 20 MINING.

 (2) THIS PART DOES NOT APPLY TO A METALLIC MINERAL MINING
 ACTIVITY THAT IS REGULATED UNDER A MINING AND RECLAMATION PLAN THAT
 CONTAINS SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PROVISIONS AND THAT IS APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER PART 631.
- 21 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "MINING" DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
- 22 REMOVAL OF CLAY, GRAVEL, SAND, PEAT, OR TOPSOIL.
- 23 Sec. 9117. If the county ENFORCING AGENCY or local
- 24 MUNICIPAL enforcing agency that is responsible for enforcing this
- 25 part AND THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART determines that
- 26 soil erosion and OR sedimentation of ADJACENT PROPERTIES OR the
- 27 waters of this THE state has or will reasonably occur from a

- 1 parcel of land in violation of this part -, it OR THE RULES
- 2 PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART OR AN APPLICABLE LOCAL ORDINANCE, THE

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- 3 COUNTY ENFORCING AGENCY OR MUNICIPAL ENFORCING AGENCY may seek to
- 4 enforce A VIOLATION OF this part by notifying the person who owns
- 5 the land, by mail, with return receipt requested, of its
- 6 determination. The notice shall contain a description of
- 7 specific soil and sedimentation control measures that, if imple-
- 8 mented by the landowner, would bring the landowner into
- 9 compliance THE VIOLATION AND WHAT MUST BE DONE TO REMEDY THE
- 10 VIOLATION AND SHALL SPECIFY A TIME TO COMPLY with this part and
- 11 would prevent soil erosion and sedimentation of the waters of
- 12 this state THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART OR AN APPLICA-
- 13 BLE LOCAL ORDINANCE.
- 14 Sec. 9118. A WITHIN 5 DAYS AFTER A NOTICE OF VIOLATION
- 15 HAS BEEN ISSUED UNDER SECTION 9117, A person who owns land
- 16 subject to this part AND THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART
- 17 shall implement and maintain soil erosion and sedimentation con-
- 18 trol measures in conformance with this part, within 10 days
- 19 after the notice of violation of this part is given under section
- 20 9117 THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART, OR AN APPLICABLE
- 21 LOCAL ORDINANCE.
- Sec. 9119. Except as otherwise provided in this section,
- 23 $\frac{1}{10}$ NOT sooner than $\frac{10}{10}$ 5 days after notice of violation of
- 24 this part has been mailed under section 9117, if the condition of
- 25 the land, in the opinion of the county ENFORCING AGENCY or
- 26 -local MUNICIPAL enforcing agency, may result in or contribute
- 27 to soil erosion and OR sedimentation of ADJACENT PROPERTIES OR

- 1 TO the waters of this THE state, and if soil erosion and
- 2 sedimentation control measures in conformance with this part AND
- 3 THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART OR AN APPLICABLE LOCAL
- 4 ORDINANCE are not in place, the county ENFORCING AGENCY or
- 5 local MUNICIPAL enforcing agency, or a designee of either of
- 6 these agencies, may enter upon the land and construct, implement,
- 7 and maintain soil erosion and sedimentation control measures in
- 8 conformance with this part AND THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS
- 9 PART OR AN APPLICABLE LOCAL ORDINANCE. However, the enforcing
- 10 agency shall not expend more than $\frac{$500.00}{}$ \$10,000.00 for the
- 11 cost of the work, materials, or labor, AND ADMINISTRATION with-
- 12 out prior written notice in the notice provided in section 9117
- 13 for the person who owns the land that the expenditure of more
- **14** than $\frac{$500.00}{$10,000.00}$ \$10,000.00 may be made. If more than $\frac{$500.00}{}$
- 15 \$10,000.00 is to be expended under this section, then the work
- 16 shall not begin until at least $\frac{20}{10}$ 10 days after the notice of
- 17 violation has been mailed.
- 18 Sec. 9120. (1) All expenses incurred by the A county
- 19 ENFORCING AGENCY or local A MUNICIPAL enforcing agency under
- 20 section 9119 to construct, implement, and maintain soil erosion
- 21 and sedimentation control measures to bring the land in INTO
- 22 conformance with this part AND THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS
- 23 PART OR AN APPLICABLE LOCAL ORDINANCE shall be reimbursed to the
- 24 county ENFORCING AGENCY or -local MUNICIPAL enforcing agency by
- 25 the person who owns the land.
- 26 (2) The county ENFORCING AGENCY or local MUNICIPAL
- 27 enforcing agency shall have a lien for the expenses incurred

- 1 under section 9119 of bringing the land into conformance with
- 2 this part AND THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART OR AN APPLI-
- 3 CABLE LOCAL ORDINANCE. However, with respect to single-family or

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- 4 multi-family MULTIFAMILY residential property, the lien for
- 5 such expenses shall have priority over all liens and encumbrances
- 6 filed or recorded after the date of such expenditure. With
- 7 respect to all other property, the lien for such expenses shall
- 8 be collected and treated in the same manner as provided for prop-
- 9 erty tax liens under the general property tax act, Act No. 206
- 10 of the Public Acts of 1893, being sections 211.1 to 211.157 of
- 11 the Michigan Compiled Laws 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 TO 211.157.
- Sec. 9121. A person who owns land that is not in compli-
- 13 ance with this part and who, after notice, refuses to implement
- 14 and maintain soil erosion and sedimentation control measures in
- 15 conformance with this part is responsible for a state civil
- 16 infraction and may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more
- 17 than \$500.00.
- 18 (1) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS PART IS RESPONSIBLE FOR
- 19 EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 20 (A) IF THE ACTION IS BROUGHT BY A COUNTY ENFORCING AGENCY OR
- 21 A MUNICIPAL ENFORCING AGENCY OF A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT THAT
- 22 HAS ENACTED AN ORDINANCE UNDER THIS PART THAT PROVIDES A PENALTY
- 23 FOR VIOLATIONS, THE PERSON IS RESPONSIBLE FOR A MUNICIPAL CIVIL
- 24 INFRACTION OF NOT MORE THAN \$2,500.00.
- 25 (B) IF THE ACTION IS BROUGHT BY THE STATE OR A COUNTY
- 26 ENFORCING AGENCY OF A COUNTY THAT HAS NOT ENACTED AN ORDINANCE

- 1 UNDER THIS PART, THE PERSON IS RESPONSIBLE FOR A STATE CIVIL
- 2 INFRACTION OF NOT MORE THAN \$2,500.00.
- 3 (2) A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY VIOLATES THIS PART OR KNOWINGLY

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- 4 MAKES A FALSE STATEMENT IN AN APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT OR IN A
- 5 SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PLAN IS RESPONSIBLE FOR
- 6 THE PAYMENT OF A CIVIL FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$10,000.00 FOR EACH
- 7 DAY OF VIOLATION.
- 8 (3) A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY VIOLATES THIS PART AFTER RECEIV-
- 9 ING A NOTICE OF DETERMINATION UNDER SECTION 9112 OR 9117 IS
- 10 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF A CIVIL FINE OF NOT LESS THAN
- 11 \$2,500.00 OR MORE THAN \$25,000.00 FOR EACH DAY OF VIOLATION.
- 12 (4) CIVIL FINES COLLECTED UNDER SUBSECTIONS (2) AND (3)
- 13 SHALL BE DEPOSITED AS FOLLOWS:
- 14 (A) IF THE STATE FILED THE ACTION UNDER THIS SECTION, IN THE
- 15 GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.
- 16 (B) IF A COUNTY ENFORCING AGENCY OR MUNICIPAL ENFORCING
- 17 AGENCY FILED THE ACTION UNDER THIS SECTION, WITH THE COUNTY OR
- 18 MUNICIPALITY THAT FILED THE ACTION TO BE USED TO ADMINISTER AND
- 19 ENFORCE THIS PART.
- 20 (C) IF AN ACTION WAS FILED JOINTLY BY THE STATE AND A COUNTY
- 21 ENFORCING AGENCY OR MUNICIPAL ENFORCING AGENCY, THE CIVIL FINES
- 22 COLLECTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE DIVIDED IN PROPORTION TO
- 23 EACH AGENCY'S INVOLVEMENT AS MUTUALLY AGREED UPON BY THE
- 24 AGENCIES. ALL FINES GOING TO THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BE DEPOSITED
- 25 INTO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.
- 26 (5) A DEFAULT IN THE PAYMENT OF A CIVIL FINE OR COSTS
- 27 ORDERED UNDER THIS SECTION OR AN INSTALLMENT OF THE FINE OR COSTS

- 1 MAY BE REMEDIED BY ANY MEANS AUTHORIZED UNDER THE REVISED
- 2 JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.101 TO 600.9948.
- 3 (6) IN ADDITION TO A FINE ASSESSED UNDER THIS SECTION, A
- 4 PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS PART IS LIABLE TO THE STATE FOR DAMAGES

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- 5 FOR INJURY TO, DESTRUCTION OF, OR LOSS OF NATURAL RESOURCES
- 6 RESULTING FROM THE VIOLATION. THE COURT MAY ORDER A PERSON WHO
- 7 VIOLATES THIS PART TO RESTORE THE AREA OR AREAS AFFECTED BY THE
- 8 VIOLATION TO THEIR CONDITION AS EXISTING IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE
- 9 VIOLATION.
- 10 (7) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO AN AUTHORIZED PUBLIC AGENCY, IN
- 11 ADDITION TO OTHER PERSONS. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A
- 12 COUNTY ENFORCING AGENCY OR A MUNICIPAL ENFORCING AGENCY WITH
- 13 RESPECT TO ITS ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THIS PART AND
- 14 RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART.
- 15 Sec. 9123. (1) Each BEGINNING 3 YEARS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE
- 16 DATE OF THE 2000 AMENDMENTS TO THIS SECTION, EACH individual who
- 17 is responsible for administering former Act No. 347 of the
- 18 Public Acts of 1972 on June 15, 1988 THIS PART AND THE RULES
- 19 PROMULGATED UNDER THIS PART OR A LOCAL ORDINANCE AND WHO HAS
- 20 DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY FOR SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CON-
- 21 TROL PLAN DEVELOPMENT OR REVIEW, INSPECTIONS, PERMIT ISSUANCE, OR
- 22 ENFORCEMENT shall complete the BE TRAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- 23 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF TRAINING TO INDIVIDU-
- 24 ALS UNDER THIS SECTION IF THEY DO BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 25 (A) COMPLETE A soil erosion and sedimentation control train-
- 26 ing program sponsored by the department. within 2 years, unless
- 27 the individual has completed the training program prior to

- 1 June 15, 1988. Individuals who undertake responsibilities for
- 2 administering this part or former Act No. 347 of the Public Acts

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- 3 of 1972 after June 15, 1988 shall complete this training program
- 4 within 2 years after the date on which they begin administering
- 5 this part or former Act No. 347 of the Public Acts of 1972.
- 6 (B) PASS AN EXAMINATION ON THE SUBJECT MATTER COVERED IN THE
- 7 TRAINING PROGRAM UNDER SUBDIVISION (A).
- 8 (2) A CERTIFICATE OF TRAINING UNDER SUBSECTION (1) IS VALID
- 9 FOR 5 YEARS. FOR RECERTIFICATIONS, THE DEPARTMENT MAY OFFER A
- 10 REFRESHER COURSE OR OTHER UPDATE IN LIEU OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF
- 11 SUBSECTION (1)(A) AND (B).
- 12 (3) THE DEPARTMENT MAY CHARGE FEES FOR ADMINISTERING THE
- 13 TRAINING PROGRAM AND THE EXAMINATION UNDER THIS SECTION THAT ARE
- 14 NOT GREATER THAN THE DEPARTMENT'S COST OF ADMINISTERING THE
- 15 TRAINING PROGRAM AND THE EXAMINATION. ALL FEES COLLECTED UNDER
- 16 THIS SECTION SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE SOIL EROSION AND SEDI-
- 17 MENTATION CONTROL TRAINING FUND CREATED IN SECTION 9123A.
- 18 SEC. 9123A. (1) THE SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL
- 19 TRAINING FUND IS CREATED WITHIN THE STATE TREASURY.
- 20 (2) THE STATE TREASURER MAY RECEIVE MONEY OR OTHER ASSETS
- 21 FROM ANY SOURCE FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTA-
- 22 TION CONTROL TRAINING FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL DIRECT THE
- 23 INVESTMENT OF THE SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL TRAINING
- 24 FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT TO THE SOIL EROSION AND
- 25 SEDIMENTATION CONTROL TRAINING FUND INTEREST AND EARNINGS FROM
- 26 FUND INVESTMENTS.

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- (3) MONEY IN THE SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL
- 2 TRAINING FUND AT THE CLOSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR SHALL REMAIN IN THE
- 3 FUND AND SHALL NOT LAPSE TO THE GENERAL FUND.
- (4) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL EXPEND MONEY FROM THE FUND, UPON 4
- 5 APPROPRIATION, ONLY TO ADMINISTER THE SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTA-
- 6 TION CONTROL TRAINING PROGRAM AND EXAMINATION UNDER SECTION 9123.
- Enacting section 1. Sections 9102, 9103, and 9111 of the 7
- 8 natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451,
- 9 MCL 324.9102, 324.9103, and 324.9111, are repealed.