

**SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4625**

A bill to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds of the state and to pledge the full faith and credit of the state for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds to finance sewage treatment works projects, storm water projects, and non-point source projects, that improve the quality of the waters of the state; to pay for issuing the bonds; to provide for other measures relating to the bonds; and to provide for the submission of the question of the issuance of the bonds to the electors of the state.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the

2 "Great Lakes water quality bond authorization act".

3 Sec. 2. The state shall borrow a sum not to exceed

4 \$1,000,000,000.00 and issue the general obligation bonds of the

5 state, pledging the full faith and credit of the state for the

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1 payment of principal and interest on the bonds, to finance sewage
2 treatment works projects, storm water projects, and nonpoint
3 source projects, that improve the quality of the waters of the
4 state.

5 Sec. 3. Bonds shall be issued in accordance with conditions
6 and procedures to be established by law.

7 Sec. 4. The proceeds of the sale of any series of the
8 bonds, any premium and accrued interest received on the delivery
9 of the bonds, and any interest earned on the proceeds of the
10 bonds shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to a
11 restricted fund as provided by law and shall be disbursed from
12 that fund only for the purposes for which the bonds have been
13 authorized, including the expense of issuing the bonds. The pro-
14 ceeds of sale of any series of the bonds, any premium and accrued
15 interest received on the delivery of the bonds, and any interest
16 earned on the proceeds of the bonds shall be expended for the
17 purposes set forth in this act in a manner as provided by law.

18 Sec. 5. The question of borrowing a sum not to exceed
19 \$1,000,000,000.00 and the issuance of the general obligation
20 bonds of the state for the purposes set forth in this act shall
21 be submitted to a vote of the electors of the state qualified to
22 vote on the question in accordance with section 15 of article IX
23 of the state constitution of 1963 at the next general election.
24 The question submitted to the electors shall be substantially as
25 follows:

26 "Shall the state of Michigan finance sewage treatment works
27 projects, storm water projects, and nonpoint source projects,

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1 that improve the quality of the waters of the state, by borrowing
2 a sum not to exceed \$1,000,000,000.00 and issuing general obliga-
3 tion bonds of the state, pledging the full faith and credit of
4 the state for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds,
5 the method of repayment of the bonds to be from the general fund
6 of the state?

7 Yes.....

8 No.....".

9 Sec. 6. The secretary of state shall perform all acts nec-
10 essary to properly submit the question prescribed by section 5 to
11 the electors of the state qualified to vote on the question at
12 the next general November election.

13 Sec. 7. Bonds shall not be issued under this act unless the
14 question set forth in section 5 is approved by a majority vote of
15 the registered electors voting on the question.

16 Sec. 8. (1) After the issuance of the bonds authorized by
17 this act, there shall be appropriated from the general fund of
18 the state each fiscal year a sufficient amount to pay promptly,
19 when due, the principal of and interest on all outstanding bonds
20 authorized by this act and the costs incidental to the payment of
21 the bonds.

22 (2) The governor shall include the appropriation provided
23 for in subsection (1) in his or her annual executive budget rec-
24 ommendations to the legislature.

25 Enacting section 1. This act does not take effect unless
26 all of the following bills of the 91st Legislature are enacted
27 into law:

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1 (a) House Bill No. 5892.

2 (b) House Bill No. 5893.