

HOUSE BILL No. 6547

September 20, 2006, Introduced by Reps. Kolb and Tobocman and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, Great Lakes, Land Use, and Environment.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
(MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 5519.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 **SEC. 5519. (1) THE DIRECTOR SHALL DESIGNATE 1 OR MORE**
2 **EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT AS LIAISONS FOR THE MIDWEST CLEAN**
3 **DIESEL INITIATIVE.**

4 **(2) THE LIAISON OR LIAISONS UNDER SUBSECTION (1) SHALL DO ALL**
5 **OF THE FOLLOWING:**

6 **(A) REPRESENT THE STATE TO THE MCDI.**

7 **(B) ATTEND MEETINGS OF THE MCDI.**

8 **(C) PROVIDE TO THE DEPARTMENT UPDATES AND OTHER INFORMATION**

1 ABOUT THE MCDI TO BE MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT ON ITS WEBSITE.

2 (D) WORK TO ESTABLISH PROGRAMS AND PARTNERSHIPS STATEWIDE TO
3 REDUCE DIESEL EMISSIONS AND TO MAKE THIS STATE COMPETITIVE FOR
4 GRANTS AND OTHER FUNDING TO REDUCE DIESEL EMISSIONS.

5 (E) ADVOCATE WITH THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
6 AGENCY, CONGRESS, AND THE LEGISLATURE FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS AND
7 PROGRAMMATIC SUPPORT FOR THE MCDI.

8 (F) PROVIDE THE LEGISLATURE A YEARLY REPORT ON THE MCDI. THE
9 REPORT SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

10 (i) PROGRESS MADE BY THE MCDI.

11 (ii) ESTIMATES OF DIESEL EMISSION REDUCTIONS AS A RESULT OF THE
12 MCDI.

13 (iii) INFORMATION ON GRANTS OR OTHER FUNDING RECEIVED BY OR USED
14 IN THIS STATE TO REDUCE DIESEL EMISSIONS.

15 (iv) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION TO ASSIST THE
16 LIAISON OR LIAISONS TO FULFILL THEIR DUTIES UNDER THIS SECTION.

17 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "MCDI" MEANS THE MIDWEST CLEAN
18 DIESEL INITIATIVE, A COLLABORATION OF FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL
19 AGENCIES, ALONG WITH COMMUNITIES, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, AND
20 PRIVATE COMPANIES, WORKING TOGETHER TO REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM DIESEL
21 ENGINES IN THE MIDWEST.