

Senator Basham offered the following resolution:

**Senate Resolution No. 55.**

A resolution observing September 19-25, 2005, as Pollution Prevention Week.

Whereas, Pollution prevention is a priority in achieving environmental quality in the state of Michigan; and

Whereas, The people of Michigan are proud of our state's beauty, natural resources, and environment; and

Whereas, The presence of pollutants continue to pose a threat to our environment, public health, and safety; and

Whereas, Pollution prevention is a fundamental strategy to protect the environment and maintain the health and safety of workers in the workplace by stopping pollution before it occurs; and

Whereas, Pollution prevention can benefit businesses by increasing industrial efficiency and energy efficiency, thereby saving businesses time and money; and

Whereas, Pollution prevention harnesses clean and pollution-free technology to help Michigan meet the challenges of having both a sustainable environment and healthy economy for its citizens and businesses; and

Whereas, The Senate supports pollution prevention as a means to promote environmental stewardship which improves our communities and protects our natural resources for future generations; and

Whereas, Pollution Prevention Week is an opportunity for the people of Michigan to join together for a clean and vibrant Michigan by taking action to reduce waste at its source, or where this is not feasible, identify opportunities to reuse and recycle; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we observe September 19-25, 2005, as Pollution Prevention Week in Michigan, and we commend all businesses and community members who participate in local and regional celebratory and educational activities; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be provided to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality as evidence of our support.