

HOUSE BILL No. 5977

October 19, 2016, Introduced by Reps. Sarah Roberts and Irwin and referred to the Committee on Energy Policy.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
(MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 61506d.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 61506D. (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INCLUDE A REQUIREMENT IN
2 A PERMIT ISSUED UNDER THIS PART OR IN ANY OTHER AUTHORIZATION TO
3 USE AN OIL OR GAS WELL FOR HYDRAULIC FRACTURING THAT THE PERMIT
4 HOLDER TREAT THE WATER FROM THE HYDRAULIC FRACTURING OPERATION TO
5 ENSURE THAT THE WATER IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH WATER DISCHARGE
6 CRITERIA UNDER PART 31 PRIOR TO REUSING THAT WATER IN ANY
7 SUBSEQUENT HYDRAULIC FRACTURING OPERATIONS OR DISCHARGING THAT
8 WATER INTO A SURFACE WATER BODY OR A SUBSURFACE GEOLOGIC FORMATION.

1 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "HYDRAULIC FRACTURING" MEANS
2 INJECTING SUBSTANCES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, WATER, FLUIDS,
3 CHEMICALS, FOAM, AND PROPPANTS IN A WELL OR IN A ROCK FORMATION
4 UNDER HIGH PRESSURE TO CREATE FRACTURES, FOR PURPOSES OF
5 EXPLORATION, DRILLING, COMPLETION, OR PRODUCTION OF OIL, NATURAL
6 GAS, OR HYDROCARBONS OR TO ENHANCE THE PRODUCTION OF OIL, NATURAL
7 GAS, OR HYDROCARBONS.

8 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
9 after the date it is enacted into law.