## **SENATE BILL NO. 563**

June 24, 2021, Introduced by Senator LASATA and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 80198b (MCL 324.80198b), as amended by 2007 PA 8.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 80198b. (1) The owner or person in charge of a bathing
- 2 beach maintained primarily for public use shall not knowingly
- 3 permit a person to bathe or swim from the bathing beach unless
- 4 buoys outlining a safe bathing or swimming area are established in

1 accordance compliance with section 80159.

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- 2 (2) A person who is bathing or swimming from a bathing beach
  3 maintained primarily for public use shall not bathe or swim in
  4 waters that are within 100 feet beyond the buoyed bathing or
  5 swimming area. This subsection does not apply to persons a person
  6 swimming from an adjacent privately owned beaches beach that are is
  7 not open to the general public.
  - (3) A local unit of government in which is located a bathing beach maintained primarily for public use shall post and maintain on its website information or a link to information about anti-drowning techniques and beach safety.
- (4) (3) A person who violates this section subsection (1) or
  (2) is responsible for a state civil infraction and may be ordered
  to pay a civil fine of not more than \$500.00.