SENATE BILL NO. 247

April 23, 2025, Introduced by Senators CAMILLERI, GEISS, CHANG and POLEHANKI and referred to Committee on Energy and Environment.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 62506a (MCL 324.62506a), as added by 1996 PA 168.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 62506a. (1) As used in this section:
- 2 (a) "Class I multisource commercial hazardous waste disposal
- 3 well" means a multisource commercial hazardous waste disposal well
- 4 that meets both of the following requirements:

- 1 (i) Is a class I well as described in 40 CFR 146.5.
- 2 (ii) Was in operation at any time during the state fiscal year 3 ending September 30, 2025.
- 4 (b) (a) "Hazardous waste", "storage facility", and "treatment
 5 facility" have the meanings ascribed to these terms in part 111.
- 6 (c) (b) "Multisource commercial hazardous waste disposal well" 7 means a disposal well that receives hazardous waste that is 8 generated by more than 1 person. Multisource commercial hazardous 9 waste disposal well does not include a disposal well that receives 10 hazardous waste generated from a subsidiary of the person that owns 11 or operates a hazardous waste disposal well.exclusively by the 12 owner, its subsidiaries, the operator, its subsidiaries, or any 13 combination thereof.
 - (d) (c) "Person" includes a governmental entity.
- 15 (2) Prior to the drilling of a multisource commercial
 16 hazardous waste disposal well or the conversion of a well to a
 17 multisource commercial hazardous waste disposal well, a person
 18 shall have obtained must obtain a construction permit for an on19 site treatment facility and storage facility under section
 20 11118-11125.
 - (3) Nothing in the amendatory act that added this section This subsection shall not be construed to abrogate common law.
 - (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the owner or operator of a class I multisource commercial hazardous waste disposal well shall pay to the department a fee assessed on all waste disposed of in the well. The fee shall be based on the quantity of waste injected and, subject to subsection (4), shall be 0.417 cents per gallon. The fee shall be paid within 30 days after the close of each quarter of the calendar year. The class I

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- 1 multisource commercial hazardous waste disposal well owner or
- 2 operator shall assess the fee against off-site generators. The fee
- 3 for waste that is generated and disposed of on the site of a class
- 4 I multisource commercial hazardous waste disposal well owner or
- 5 operator shall be paid by that owner or operator.
- 6 (4) At the end of each calendar year, the state treasurer
- 7 shall adjust the fees in subsection (3) by an amount determined by
- 8 the state treasurer to reflect the cumulative percentage change in
- 9 the Consumer Price Index from January 1 immediately preceding the
- 10 effective date of the amendatory act that added this section to the
- 11 latest available Consumer Price Index. The state treasurer shall
- 12 round a fee measured in gallons to the nearest tenth of a cent. As
- 13 used in this subsection, "Consumer Price Index" means the most
- 14 comprehensive index of consumer prices available for the Detroit-
- 15 Warren-Dearborn area from the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the
- 16 United States Department of Labor or a successor agency.
- 17 (5) The following waste is exempt from the fee provided for in
- 18 this section:
- 19 (a) Waste exempted by rule because of its character or the
- 20 treatment it has received.
- 21 (b) Waste that is removed as part of a site cleanup activity
- 22 at the expense of this state.
- 23 (c) Waste generated pursuant to a 1-time closure or site
- 24 cleanup activity in this state if the closure or cleanup activity
- 25 has been authorized in writing by the department. Waste resulting
- 26 from the cleanup of inadvertent releases that occur after March 30,
- 27 1988 is not exempt from the fee.
- 28 (6) An owner or operator of a class I multisource commercial
- 29 hazardous waste disposal well shall assess or pay the fee described

- 1 in this section unless the generator provides a signed written
- 2 certification indicating that the waste is exempt from the fee. If
- 3 the waste that is exempt from the fee is required to be listed on a
- 4 manifest, the certification shall contain the manifest number of
- 5 the shipment and the specific fee exemption for which the waste
- 6 qualifies. If the waste that is exempt from the fee is not required
- 7 to be listed on a manifest, the certification shall provide the
- 8 quantity of exempt waste, the waste code or waste codes of the
- 9 exempt waste if applicable, the date of disposal, and the specific
- 10 fee exemption for which the waste qualifies. The owner or operator
- 11 of the class I multisource commercial hazardous waste disposal well
- 12 shall retain this certification for 4 years after the date of
- 13 receipt.
- 14 (7) The department shall evaluate the accuracy of generator
- 15 fee exemption certifications and shall take enforcement action
- 16 against a generator who files a false certification. In addition,
- 17 the department shall take enforcement action to collect fees that
- 18 are not paid as required by this section.
- 19 (8) The owner or operator of a class I multisource commercial
- 20 hazardous waste disposal well shall forward to the department the
- 21 fee revenue due under this section with a completed form that is
- 22 provided or approved by the department. The owner or operator shall
- 23 certify that all information provided in the form is accurate. The
- 24 form shall specify, at a minimum, the following information:
- 25 (a) The quantity of waste subject to a fee.
- 26 (b) Any exemptions claimed under subsection (5).
- 27 (c) The total amount of the fee.
- 28 (9) The department shall maintain information regarding the
- 29 fees collected under this section for at least 3 years.

- 1 (10) The department shall forward fees collected under this 2 section to the state treasurer. The state treasurer shall deposit 3 the fees in the disposal well host community fund created in 4 subsection (11).
- 5 (11) The disposal well host community fund is created in the 6 state treasury. The state treasurer shall deposit into the fund 7 money and other assets received under subsection (10) or from any 8 other lawful source. The state treasurer shall direct the 9 investment of money in the fund and credit interest and earnings 10 from the investments to the fund. The department is the 11 administrator of the fund for audits of the fund.
 - (12) The department shall expend money from the disposal well host community fund, on appropriation, only for the costs of administering the fund and for annual grants to cities and townships where class I multisource commercial hazardous waste disposal wells are located. The amount of each grant shall be a percentage of the fiscal-year-end fund balance, after deducting costs of administering the fund, equal to the percentage of fee revenue collected under this section during that fiscal year from owners or operators of class I multisource commercial hazardous waste disposal wells located in the grantee's jurisdiction. Grants shall be awarded within 60 days after the end of each state fiscal year and used to promote the public health, safety, or welfare in the grantee's jurisdiction.

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