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WASTE DISPOSAL FEES

House Bill 4381

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4381 INTRODUCED 2-26-91

House Bill 4381 would create an act to authorize the Michigan Environmental Assurance Corporation (MEAC - created in Senate Bill 981) to assess membership fees from the owners of property containing contaminated substances. The fees could be used to fund the projected liabilities of the proposed Michigan Environmental Assurance Fund. For five years after the effective date of the bill, membership fees would be assessed annually from MEAC members, as follows:

- a fee would be collected at a rate of up to \$30 per ton or \$30 per cubic yard of hazardous waste disposed of in a disposal facility, treated at a treatment facility, stored in a storage facility for more than one year, or transported out of state;
- -- a fee would be collected at a rate of up to 75 cents per cubic yard of solid waste disposed of in a landfill or incinerator regulated under the Solid Waste Management Act or transported out of state.

Fees could be assessed only once on the waste, and fees would not be assessed on waste that was being recycled. Within one year after the effective date of the bill, the legislature would receive from the MEAC board a recommended assessment on contaminated sites.