324.11143 Hazardous waste service fund; creation; financing; uses of fund; administration; expenditures; expenses; rules.

Sec. 11143. (1) There is created within the state treasury a hazardous waste service fund of not less than $1,000,000.00 to be financed by appropriations for the following uses:
   (a) For hazardous waste emergencies as defined by rule.
   (b) For use in ensuring the closure and post closure monitoring and maintenance of treatment, storage, or disposal facilities.

(2) The department shall administer the fund and authorize expenditures upon a finding of actual or potential environmental damage caused by hazardous waste or when the owner or operator of the treatment, storage, or disposal facility is not fulfilling his or her obligation in regard to closure or postclosure monitoring and maintenance of the site and the surety bond, instrument, mechanism, or secured trust fund maintained by the owner or operator of a treatment, storage, or disposal facility as required by section 11141 is inadequate or is no longer in effect.

(3) After an expenditure from the fund, the department immediately shall request the attorney general to begin proceedings to recover any expenditure from the fund from the person responsible for the hazardous waste emergency or the owner or operator of a treatment, storage, or disposal facility who is not fulfilling his or her obligation in regard to closure or postclosure monitoring and maintenance of a facility. If the owner of the property refuses to pay expenses incurred, the expenses shall be assessed against the property and shall be collected and treated in the same manner as taxes assessed under the laws of the state.

(4) The department shall promulgate rules to define a hazardous waste emergency and to establish the method of payment from the fund.


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