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SENATE BILL No. 450

June 15, 2011, Introduced by Senator KAHN and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending section 11108 (MCL 324.11108), as amended by 2001 PA
165.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 11108. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, each owner or operator of a landfill shall pay to the department a fee assessed on hazardous waste disposed of in a landfill. The fee shall be based on the quantity of hazardous waste specified on the manifest or monthly operating report and shall be \$10.00 per ton, \$10.00 per cubic yard, or 1/2 cent per pound depending on the unit of measure used by the owner or operator to calculate the fee. The

- 1 fee for fractional quantities of hazardous waste shall be
- 2 proportional. If the hazardous waste is required to be listed on a
- 3 manifest and the owner or operator of the landfill determines that
- 4 the hazardous waste quantity figure on the manifest is not
- 5 accurate, the owner or operator shall correct the hazardous waste
- 6 quantity figure on all manifest copies accompanying the shipment,
- 7 note the reason for the changes CHANGE in the discrepancy
- 8 indication space on the manifest, and assess the fee in accordance
- 9 with the corrected hazardous waste quantity. figure. Payment shall
- 10 be made within 30 days after the close of each quarter. The
- 11 landfill owner or operator shall assess off-site generators the
- 12 fee. The fee for hazardous waste that is generated and disposed of
- 13 on the site of a landfill owner or operator shall be paid by that
- 14 owner or operator.
- 15 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, each owner
- 16 or operator of a solidification facility licensed pursuant to
- 17 section 11123 shall pay to the department a fee assessed on
- 18 hazardous waste received at the solidification facility. The fee
- 19 shall be based on the quantity of hazardous waste specified on the
- 20 manifest or monthly operating report and shall be \$10.00 per ton,
- 21 \$10.00 per cubic yard, 4 cents per gallon, or 1/2 cent per pound
- 22 depending on the unit of measure used by the owner or operator to
- 23 calculate the fee. The fee for fractional quantities of hazardous
- 24 waste shall be proportional. If the hazardous waste is required to
- 25 be listed on a manifest and the owner or operator of the
- 26 solidification facility determines that the hazardous waste
- 27 quantity figure on the manifest is not accurate, the owner or

- 1 operator shall correct the hazardous waste quantity figure on all
- 2 manifest copies accompanying the shipment, note the reason for the
- 3 change in the discrepancy indication space on the manifest, and
- 4 assess the fee in accordance with the corrected hazardous waste
- 5 quantity. figure. Payment shall be made within 30 days after the
- 6 close of each quarter. The solidification facility owner or
- 7 operator shall assess off-site generators the fee. The fee for
- 8 hazardous waste that is generated and solidified on the site of a
- 9 solidification owner or operator shall be paid by that owner or
- 10 operator.
- 11 (3) The following hazardous waste is exempt from the fees
- 12 provided for in this section:
- 13 (a) Ash that results from the incineration of hazardous waste
- 14 or the incineration of solid waste as defined in part 115.
- 15 (b) Hazardous waste exempted by rule because of its character
- 16 or the treatment it has received.
- 17 (c) Hazardous waste that is removed from a site of
- 18 environmental contamination that is included in a list submitted to
- 19 the legislature pursuant to section 20105, or hazardous waste that
- 20 is removed as part of a site cleanup activity at the expense of the
- 21 state or federal government.
- 22 (d) Solidified hazardous waste produced by a solidification
- 23 facility licensed pursuant to section 11123 and destined for land
- 24 disposal.
- 25 (e) Hazardous waste generated pursuant to a 1-time closure or
- 26 site cleanup activity in this state if the closure or cleanup
- 27 activity has been authorized in writing by the department.

- 1 Hazardous waste resulting from the cleanup of inadvertent releases
- 2 which occur after March 30, 1988 is not exempt from the fee FEES.
- 3 (f) Primary and secondary wastewater treatment solids from a
- 4 wastewater treatment plant that includes an aggressive biological
- 5 treatment facility as defined in section 3005(j)(12)(B) of subtitle
- 6 C of the solid waste disposal act, title II of Public Law 89-272,
- 7 42 U.S.C. 6925 42 USC 6295.
- **8** (g) Emission control dust or sludge from the primary
- 9 production of steel in electric furnaces.
- 10 (4) An owner or operator of a landfill or solidification
- 11 facility shall assess or pay the fee described in this section
- 12 unless a written signed certification is provided by the generator
- 13 PROVIDES A SIGNED WRITTEN CERTIFICATION indicating that the
- 14 hazardous waste is exempt from the fee. If the hazardous waste that
- 15 is exempt from the fee is required to be listed on a manifest, the
- 16 certification shall contain the manifest number of the shipment and
- 17 the specific fee exemption for which the hazardous waste qualifies.
- 18 If the hazardous waste that is exempt from the fee is not required
- 19 to be listed on a manifest, the certification shall provide the
- 20 volume of exempt hazardous waste, the waste code or waste codes of
- 21 the exempt waste, the date of disposal or solidification, and the
- 22 specific fee exemption for which the hazardous waste qualifies. The
- 23 owner or operator of the landfill or solidification facility shall
- 24 retain this certification for 4 years from the date of receipt.
- 25 (5) The department or a health department certified pursuant
- 26 to section 11145 shall evaluate the accuracy of generator fee
- 27 exemption certifications and shall take enforcement action against

- 1 a generator who files a false certificate. In addition, the
- 2 department shall take enforcement action to collect fees that are
- 3 not paid as required by this section.
- 4 (6) The landfill owner or operator and the solidification
- 5 facility owner or operator shall forward TO THE DEPARTMENT THE fee
- 6 revenue due to the department_UNDER THIS SECTION with a completed
- 7 form that is provided or approved by the department. The owner or
- 8 operator shall certify that all information provided in the form is
- 9 accurate. The form shall include the following information:
- 10 (a) The volume of hazardous waste subject to a fee.
- 11 (b) The name of each generator who was assessed a fee, the
- 12 generator's identification number, manifest numbers, hazardous
- 13 waste volumes, and the amount of the fee assessed.
- 14 (7) A generator who documents to the department, on a form
- 15 provided by the department, a reduction in the amount of hazardous
- 16 waste generated as a result of a process change, or documents a
- 17 reduction in the amount of hazardous waste that is being disposed
- 18 of in a landfill, either directly or following solidification at a
- 19 solidification facility, as a result of a process change or the
- 20 generator's increased use of source separation, input substitution,
- 21 process reformulation, recycling, treatment, or an exchange of
- 22 hazardous waste that results in a utilization of that hazardous
- 23 waste, is eligible for a refund from the THIS state. The refund
- 24 shall be in the amount of \$10.00 per ton, \$10.00 per cubic yard, 4
- 25 cents per gallon, or 1/2 cent per pound of hazardous waste reduced
- 26 or managed through an alternative to landfill disposal. A generator
- 27 is not eligible to receive a refund for that portion of a reduction

- 1 in the amount of hazardous waste generated that is attributable to
- 2 a decrease in the generator's level of production of the products
- 3 that resulted in the generation of the hazardous waste.
- 4 (8) A generator seeking a refund shall calculate the refund
- 5 due by comparing hazardous waste generation, treatment, and
- 6 disposal activity in the calendar year immediately preceding the
- 7 date of filing with hazardous waste generation, treatment, and
- 8 disposal activity in the calendar year 2 years prior to the date of
- 9 filing.
- 10 (9) To be eligible for a refund, a generator shall file a
- 11 request with the department by June 30 of the year following the
- 12 year for which the refund is being claimed.
- 13 (10) A refund shall not exceed the total fees paid by the
- 14 generator to the landfill operator or owner and the solidification
- 15 facility operator or owner.
- 16 (11) A form submitted by the generator as provided for in
- 17 subsection (7) shall be certified by the generator or the
- 18 generator's authorized agent.
- 19 (12) The department shall maintain information regarding the
- 20 landfill disposal fees received and refunds provided under this
- 21 section.
- 22 (13) The fees collected under this section shall be forwarded
- 23 to the state treasurer and deposited in the waste reduction fund
- 24 created in subsection (14).
- 25 (14) The waste reduction fund is created within the state
- 26 treasury. The state treasurer may receive money or other assets
- 27 from any source for deposit into the waste reduction fund. The

- 1 state treasurer shall direct the investment of the waste reduction
- 2 fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the waste reduction fund
- 3 interest and earnings from waste reduction fund investments. Money
- 4 in the waste reduction fund at the close of the fiscal year shall
- 5 remain in the waste reduction fund and shall not lapse to the
- 6 general fund. Money from the waste reduction fund shall be
- 7 expended, upon appropriation, only for 1 or more of the following
- 8 purposes:
- 9 (a) To pay refunds to generators under this section.
- 10 (b) To fund programs created under part 143 and part 145.
- 11 (c) Not more than \$500,000.00 to implement section 3103a.
- 12 (d) For state fiscal years 2002 and 2003, to fund programs
- 13 created under part 111 TO FUND THE PERMIT TO INSTALL PROGRAM
- 14 ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 5505.
- 15 (e) Not more than \$500,000.00 to implement section 5419.