

# SENATE BILL NO. 751

November 30, 2021, Introduced by Senators GEISS, IRWIN, SANTANA, WOJNO, BAYER, BRINKS, POLEHANKI, ALEXANDER, BULLOCK, MOSS, HOLLIER and CHANG and referred to the Committee on Local Government.

A bill to prescribe the powers and duties of certain water utilities; and to prescribe civil sanctions for certain violations of this act.

## **THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 1. As used in this act, "water utility" means a person  
2 that provides water supply service or sewerage service.

3           Sec. 2. (1) By February 1, 2022, a water utility shall prepare  
4 a plan that does both of the following:

5           (a) Ensures that each permanently installed water pump or

1 power source under that water utility's jurisdiction automatically  
2 switches to an alternative power source if the primary source of  
3 power fails.

4 (b) Ensures that an alternative power source under subdivision  
5 (a) is able to operate continuously for at least 72 hours.

6 (2) By October 1, 2023, each water utility shall fully  
7 implement the plan prepared in subsection (1).

8 Sec. 3. A water utility that violates this section is subject  
9 to a civil fine of \$1,000.00 per day for each violation of this  
10 act.