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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

420 ILCS 5/4

from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 4304

Amends the Illinois Nuclear Safety Preparedness Act. Makes a technical change in a Section relating to fees.

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1 AN ACT concerning safety.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Nuclear Safety Preparedness Act is
amended by changing Section 4 as follows:

6 (420 ILCS 5/4) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 4304)

7 Sec. 4. Nuclear accident plans; fees. Persons engaged 8 within this State in the the production of electricity 9 utilizing nuclear energy, the operation of nuclear test and research reactors, the chemical conversion of uranium, or the 10 transportation, storage or possession of spent nuclear fuel or 11 high-level radioactive waste shall pay fees to cover the cost 12 13 of establishing plans and programs to deal with the possibility 14 of nuclear accidents. Except as provided below, the fees shall be used exclusively to fund those Agency and local government 15 16 activities defined as necessary by the Director to implement 17 and maintain the plans and programs authorized by this Act. incurring 18 Local governments expenses attributable to 19 implementation and maintenance of the plans and programs 20 authorized by this Act may apply to the Agency for compensation 21 for those expenses, and upon approval by the Director of applications submitted by local governments, the Agency shall 22 compensate local governments from fees collected under this 23

Section. Compensation for local governments shall include 1 2 \$250,000 in any year through fiscal year 1993, \$275,000 in fiscal year 1994 and fiscal year 1995, \$300,000 in fiscal year 3 1996, \$400,000 in fiscal year 1997, and \$450,000 in fiscal year 4 5 1998 and thereafter. Appropriations to the Department of 6 Nuclear Safety (of which the Agency is the successor) for 7 compensation to local governments from the Nuclear Safety Emergency Preparedness Fund provided for in this Section shall 8 9 not exceed \$650,000 per State fiscal year. Expenditures from 10 these appropriations shall not exceed, in a single State fiscal 11 year, the annual compensation amount made available to local 12 under this Section, unexpended funds governments made 13 available for local government compensation in the previous 14 fiscal year, and funds recovered under the Illinois Grant Funds 15 Recovery Act during previous fiscal years. Notwithstanding any 16 other provision of this Act, the expenditure limitation for 17 fiscal year 1998 shall include the additional \$100,000 made available to local governments for fiscal year 1997 under this 18 amendatory Act of 1997. Any funds within these expenditure 19 20 limitations, including the additional \$100,000 made available for fiscal year 1997 under this amendatory Act of 1997, that 21 22 remain unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 1997, 23 and on June 30 of each succeeding year, shall be excluded from the calculations of credits under subparagraph (3) of this 24 25 Section. The Agency shall, by rule, determine the method for compensating local governments under this 26 Section. The

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appropriation shall not exceed \$500,000 in any year preceding fiscal year 1996; the appropriation shall not exceed \$625,000 in fiscal year 1996, \$725,000 in fiscal year 1997, and \$775,000 in fiscal year 1998 and thereafter. The fees shall consist of the following:

6 (1) A one-time charge of \$590,000 per nuclear power station
7 in this State to be paid by the owners of the stations.

8 (2) An additional charge of \$240,000 per nuclear power 9 station for which a fee under subparagraph (1) was paid before 10 June 30, 1982.

11 (3) Through June 30, 1982, an annual fee of \$75,000 per 12 year for each nuclear power reactor for which an operating license has been issued by the NRC, and after June 30, 1982, 13 and through June 30, 1984 an annual fee of \$180,000 per year 14 15 for each nuclear power reactor for which an operating license 16 has been issued by the NRC, and after June 30, 1984, and 17 through June 30, 1991, an annual fee of \$400,000 for each nuclear power reactor for which an operating license has been 18 issued by the NRC, to be paid by the owners of nuclear power 19 20 reactors operating in this State. After June 30, 1991, the owners of nuclear power reactors in this State for which 21 22 operating licenses have been issued by the NRC shall pay the 23 following fees for each such nuclear power reactor: for State fiscal year 1992, \$925,000; for State fiscal year 1993, 24 25 \$975,000; for State fiscal year 1994; \$1,010,000; for State fiscal year 1995, \$1,060,000; for State fiscal years 1996 and 26

1997, \$1,110,000; for State fiscal year 1998, \$1,314,000; for 1 2 State fiscal year 1999, \$1,368,000; for State fiscal year 2000, \$1,404,000; for State fiscal year 2001, \$1,696,455; for State 3 fiscal year 2002, \$1,730,636; for State fiscal year 2003 and 4 5 subsequent fiscal years, \$1,757,727. Within 120 days after the 6 end of the State fiscal year, the Agency shall determine, from 7 the records of the Office of the Comptroller, the balance in 8 the Nuclear Safety Emergency Preparedness Fund. When the 9 balance in the fund, less any fees collected under this Section 10 prior to their being due and payable for the succeeding fiscal year or years, exceeds \$400,000 at the close of business on 11 12 June 30, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, and 1998, or exceeds \$500,000 at the close of business on June 30, 1999 and June 30 13 of each succeeding year, the excess shall be credited to the 14 15 owners of nuclear power reactors who are assessed fees under 16 this subparagraph. Credits shall be applied against the fees to 17 be collected under this subparagraph for the subsequent fiscal year. Each owner shall receive as a credit that amount of the 18 19 excess which corresponds proportionately to the amount the 20 owner contributed to all fees collected under this subparagraph in the fiscal year that produced the excess. 21

(3.5) The owner of a nuclear power reactor that notifies the Nuclear Regulatory Commission that the nuclear power reactor has permanently ceased operations during State fiscal year 1998 shall pay the following fees for each such nuclear power reactor: \$1,368,000 for State fiscal year 1999 and

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1 \$1,404,000 for State fiscal year 2000.

(4) A capital expenditure surcharge of \$1,400,000 per
nuclear power station in this State, whether operating or under
construction, shall be paid by the owners of the station.

5 (5) An annual fee of \$25,000 per year for each site for 6 which a valid operating license has been issued by NRC for the 7 operation of an away-from-reactor spent nuclear fuel or 8 high-level radioactive waste storage facility, to be paid by 9 the owners of facilities for the storage of spent nuclear fuel 10 or high-level radioactive waste for others in this State.

(6) A one-time charge of \$280,000 for each facility in this State housing a nuclear test and research reactor, to be paid by the operator of the facility. However, this charge shall not be required to be paid by any tax-supported institution.

15 (7) A one-time charge of \$50,000 for each facility in this 16 State for the chemical conversion of uranium, to be paid by the 17 owner of the facility.

18 (8) An annual fee of \$150,000 per year for each facility in 19 this State housing a nuclear test and research reactor, to be 20 paid by the operator of the facility. However, this annual fee 21 shall not be required to be paid by any tax-supported 22 institution.

(9) An annual fee of \$15,000 per year for each facility in
this State for the chemical conversion of uranium, to be paid
by the owner of the facility.

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(10) A fee assessed at the rate of \$2,500 per truck for

each truck shipment and \$4,500 for the first cask and \$3,000 1 2 for each additional cask for each rail shipment of spent 3 nuclear fuel, high-level radioactive waste, transuranic waste, or a highway route controlled quantity of radioactive materials 4 5 received at or departing from any nuclear power station or 6 away-from-reactor spent nuclear fuel, high-level radioactive 7 waste, transuranic waste storage facility, or other facility in 8 this State to be paid by the shipper of the spent nuclear fuel, 9 high level radioactive waste, transuranic waste, or highway 10 route controlled quantity of radioactive material. Truck 11 shipments of greater than 250 miles in Illinois are subject to 12 a surcharge of \$25 per mile over 250 miles for each truck in 13 the shipment. The amount of fees collected each fiscal year under this subparagraph shall be excluded from the calculation 14 15 of credits under subparagraph (3) of this Section.

16 (11) A fee assessed at the rate of \$2,500 per truck for 17 each truck shipment and \$4,500 for the first cask and \$3,000 for each additional cask for each rail shipment of spent 18 19 nuclear fuel, high-level radioactive waste, transuranic waste, 20 or a highway route controlled quantity of radioactive materials traversing the State to be paid by the shipper of the spent 21 22 nuclear fuel, high level radioactive waste, transuranic waste, 23 or highway route controlled quantity of radioactive material. Truck shipments of greater than 250 miles in Illinois are 24 25 subject to a surcharge of \$25 per mile over 250 miles for each 26 truck in the shipment. The amount of fees collected each fiscal

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1 2 year under this subparagraph shall be excluded from the calculation of credits under subparagraph (3) of this Section.

3 (12) In each of the State fiscal years 1988 through 1991, in addition to the annual fee provided for in subparagraph (3), 4 5 a fee of \$400,000 for each nuclear power reactor for which an 6 operating license has been issued by the NRC, to be paid by the 7 owners of nuclear power reactors operating in this State. 8 Within 120 days after the end of the State fiscal years ending 9 June 30, 1988, June 30, 1989, June 30, 1990, and June 30, 1991, 10 the Agency shall determine the expenses of the Illinois Nuclear 11 Safety Preparedness Program paid from funds appropriated for 12 those fiscal years. When the aggregate of all fees, charges, 13 and surcharges collected under this Section during any fiscal year exceeds the total expenditures under this Act from 14 15 appropriations for that fiscal year, the excess shall be 16 credited to the owners of nuclear power reactors who are 17 assessed fees under this subparagraph, and the credits shall be under fees to be collected 18 applied against the this 19 subparagraph for the subsequent fiscal year. Each owner shall 20 receive as a credit that amount of the excess that corresponds 21 proportionately to the amount the owner contributed to all fees 22 collected under this subparagraph in the fiscal year that 23 produced the excess.

24 (Source: P.A. 92-576, eff. 6-26-02; 93-1029, eff. 8-25-04.)