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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 2955

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 2955 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the PFAS
5 Wastewater Citizen Protection Act.

6 Section 5. Findings; policy.

7 (a) The General Assembly finds that:

8 (1) Current scientific research suggests that exposure
9 to certain perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances
10 (PFAS) may cause adverse human health impacts.

11 (2) Once released, PFAS do not naturally degrade and
12 may be difficult and costly to remove from the
13 environment.

14 (3) PFAS enter wastewater treatment plants through
15 wastewater discharges associated with consumer products,
16 industrial products, and solid waste streams, such as

1 landfill leachate.

2 (4) Wastewater agencies do not manufacture,
3 intentionally use, or sell PFAS.

4 (5) Landfills do not manufacture, intentionally use,
5 or sell PFAS.

6 (6) Wastewater treatment plants, which are generally
7 owned by wastewater agencies and funded by taxpayers and
8 customers within a specific service area, are not designed
9 for or easily adapted to treat wastewater for PFAS.

10 (7) Wastewater agencies are incurring monitoring,
11 staff, and other costs. If wastewater agencies are
12 required to treat wastewater for PFAS in the future, that
13 treatment will come at a significant operational and
14 capital cost that taxpayers and customers must recoup.

15 (b) It is the policy of the State of Illinois that, as it
16 relates to PFAS, PFAS elimination, and PFAS mitigation in
17 wastewater:

18 (1) The State should follow sound science, use
19 existing source control regulatory frameworks, avoid
20 unintended negative consequences to the citizens of the
21 State, and facilitate funding to eliminate or mitigate
22 PFAS in wastewater.

23 (2) The economic impact upon wastewater agencies and
24 Illinois citizens for the costs to implement any federal
25 or State policy, rule, or regulation relating to PFAS
26 monitoring, elimination, and mitigation, including

1 requirements in permits issued to any wastewater agency,
2 should be minimized to the extent practicable.

3 (3) All stakeholders, including wastewater agencies
4 and their customers, industry, and regulators benefit from
5 increased understanding and advancements in PFAS
6 remediation and destruction technology.

7 (4) Compliance with this Act should not relieve any
8 person of responsibility for compliance with the
9 Environmental Protection Act or any other applicable
10 federal, State, or local law.

11 Section 10. Definitions. In this Act:

12 "Agency" means the Environmental Protection Agency.

13 "Committee" means the PFAS Wastewater Citizen Protection
14 Committee created under this Act.

15 "Director" means the Director of the Environmental
16 Protection Agency.

17 "PFAS" means perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl
18 substances. "PFAS" includes PFAS as defined by the United
19 States Environmental Protection Agency in 40 CFR 705.3 or any
20 successor regulations.

21 "State" means the State of Illinois.

22 "Wastewater agencies" means municipal wastewater agencies;
23 units of local government organized under the Sanitary
24 District Act of 1907, North Shore Water Reclamation District
25 Act, Sanitary District Act of 1917, Metropolitan Water

1 Reclamation District Act, Sanitary District Act of 1936,
2 Metro-East Sanitary District Act of 1974, or Eastern Will
3 Sanitary District Act; and public utilities that provide water
4 and wastewater service in Illinois.

5 Section 15. PFAS Wastewater Citizen Protection Committee.

6 (a) The PFAS Wastewater Citizen Protection Committee is
7 created within the Agency for the purposes of:

8 (1) monitoring developments and reviewing data related
9 to PFAS, PFAS regulation, and PFAS elimination and
10 mitigation technology for wastewater treatment systems;

11 (2) determining how to best implement the findings and
12 policy in Section 5 of this Act, including in relation to
13 federal statutes and regulations;

14 (3) determining the range of options to mitigate the
15 presence of PFAS, including, if necessary, costs to
16 install treatment technology to reduce PFAS in wastewater
17 treatment systems and costs for PFAS sampling, analysis,
18 research, monitoring, and record keeping;

19 (4) determining how to offset the costs to wastewater
20 agencies needed to install PFAS elimination and mitigation
21 technology in wastewater treatment systems by identifying
22 all potential sources of funding, including indirect
23 discharge fees, State and federal funding, and
24 manufacturers and commercial and industrial users of PFAS;

25 (5) making recommendations regarding policies,

1 including legislation and rulemaking, necessary to
2 implement the findings and policy in Section 5 of this
3 Act; and

4 (6) making recommendations regarding the funding of
5 elimination and mitigation technology for wastewater
6 treatment systems and recovering taxpayer and customer
7 costs for PFAS.

8 (b) No later than one year after the effective date of this
9 Act, the Committee shall issue a report containing a PFAS
10 Action Plan based on the purposes stated in subsection (a) of
11 this Section. The report shall be submitted to the Governor's
12 Office, the General Assembly, and the Agency.

13 (c) The Committee shall monitor the status of and, if
14 necessary, advocate for the execution of the PFAS Action Plan
15 submitted with its report under subsection (b) of this
16 Section.

17 (d) The Committee shall continue to periodically meet
18 after submittal of the PFAS Action Plan under subsection (b)
19 of this Section. The Committee shall annually update the PFAS
20 Action Plan, and shall submit a report annually to the
21 Governor's Office, the General Assembly, and the Agency with
22 any updates to the PFAS Action Plan and a summary of:

23 (1) the latest developments in related science and
24 technology, as well as the latest developments in
25 approaches to PFAS elimination and mitigation in
26 wastewater;

1 (2) any updated policy recommendations the Committee
2 feels necessary to implement the findings and policy in
3 Section 5 of this Act;

4 (3) any cost updates for addressing any policy
5 recommendations the Committee feels necessary to implement
6 the findings and policy in Section 5 of this Act; and

7 (4) any updated developments or recommendations
8 regarding the identification of potential sources of
9 funding to offset the costs to wastewater agencies.

10 Section 20. Committee membership. The Committee shall be
11 composed of the following members:

12 (1) the Governor or the Governor's designee, who shall
13 serve as chairperson;

14 (2) the Director or the Director's designee;

15 (3) one member appointed by the President of the
16 Senate;

17 (4) one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the
18 Senate;

19 (5) one member appointed by the Speaker of the House
20 of Representatives;

21 (6) one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the
22 House of Representatives; and

23 (7) the following members appointed by the Director:

24 (A) 2 members who are representatives of a
25 wastewater agency with a service population of 25,000

1 or less;

2 (B) 2 members who are representatives of a
3 wastewater agency with a service population of more
4 than 25,000 but less than or equal to 125,000;

5 (C) 2 members who are representatives of a
6 wastewater agency with a service population of more
7 than 125,000;

8 (D) one member who is a representative of a
9 statewide organization representing wastewater
10 agencies;

11 (E) one member who is a representative of a
12 statewide organization representing publicly owned
13 drinking water agencies;

14 (F) one member who is a researcher from a
15 university in the Great Lakes region who specializes
16 in PFAS;

17 (G) one member who is a representative of a public
18 utility that provides water and wastewater services in
19 Illinois;

20 (H) one member who is a representative of a
21 statewide organization representing the solid waste
22 and recycling industry; and

23 (I) one member who is a representative of a
24 statewide organization representing the manufacturing
25 industry.

26 Appointments to the Committee shall be made within 30 days

1 after the effective date of this Act. The Committee shall meet
2 at the call of the chairperson. Committee members shall serve
3 without compensation. If a vacancy occurs in the Committee
4 membership, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as
5 the original appointment for the remainder of the Committee.

6 Section 25. Committee technical assistance. The Prairie
7 Research Institute's Illinois Sustainable Technology Center
8 shall provide technical assistance to the Committee.

9 Section 85. Applicable federal, State, and local laws.
10 Compliance with this Act does not relieve any person of
11 responsibility for compliance with the Environmental
12 Protection Act or any other applicable federal, State, or
13 local law.

14 Section 90. Repeal. This Act is repealed on December 31,
15 2044.

16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
17 becoming law."