

HB1553



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

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Introduced 2/17/2021, by Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

420 ILCS 10/3

from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 4353

Amends the Illinois Nuclear Facility Safety Act. Makes a technical change in a Section on legislative findings.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Nuclear Facility Safety Act is
5 amended by changing Section 3 as follows:

6 (420 ILCS 10/3) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 4353)

7 Sec. 3. Legislative findings. The ~~The~~ General Assembly
8 finds:

9 (a) that Illinois has more operating nuclear power plants
10 than any state in the Nation;

11 (b) that Illinois has a commercial, away-from-reactor,
12 spent nuclear fuel storage facility;

13 (c) that on behalf of the People, the State of Illinois has
14 not only an interest in emergency preparedness to mitigate the
15 effects of accidents at nuclear facilities but also an
16 interest in furthering actions which reduce the likelihood and
17 severity of accidents at nuclear facilities;

18 (d) that reduction of the likelihood and severity of
19 accidents at nuclear facilities is in the interest of the
20 economic well-being of the People of the State of Illinois
21 because of the substantial costs of (1) repairing or replacing
22 nuclear facility equipment damaged or destroyed in an
23 accident; (2) purchasing replacement power in the event of a

1 loss in generating capacity in an accident; (3) disposing of
2 nuclear facility equipment highly contaminated with
3 radioactivity in an accident; (4) decontaminating or replacing
4 private property damaged in an accident; (5) replacing
5 agricultural products contaminated with radioactivity in an
6 accident; (6) disruption to the economy caused by an accident;
7 and (7) health care for workers and private citizens injured
8 in an accident; and

9 (e) that reduction of the likelihood and severity of
10 accidents at nuclear facilities in Illinois protects the
11 health and safety of workers at nuclear facilities and private
12 citizens who could be injured as a result of releases of
13 radiation from nuclear facilities.

14 (Source: P.A. 86-901.)