House Study Bill 37

SENATE/HOUSE FILE ______
BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES BILL)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to accounts and fees under the water quality 2 protection fund.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 4 TLSB 1160DP 81

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Section 1. Section 455B.183A, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
   2 amended to read as follows:
   3 1. A water quality protection fund is created in the state 4 treasury under the control of the department. The fund
   5 consists of moneys appropriated to the fund by the general
   6 assembly, moneys deposited into the fund from fees described
   7 in subsection 2, moneys deposited into the fund from fees 8 collected pursuant to sections 455B.187 and 455B.190A, and
   9 other moneys available to and obtained or accepted by the
  10 department from the United States government or private 11 sources for placement in the fund. The fund is divided into
1 12 three accounts, including the administration account, the
1 13 public water supply system account, and the private water
1 14 supply system account. Moneys in the administration public
  15 water supply system account are appropriated to the department
1 16 for purposes of carrying out the provisions of this division,
1 17 which relate to the administration, regulation, and 1 18 enforcement of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act.
  19 the public water supply system account are appropriated to the
  20 department, and to support the program to assist supply
1 21 systems, as provided in section 455B.183B. Moneys in the
1 22 private water supply system account are appropriated to the
1 23 department for the purpose of supporting the programs
1 24 established to protect private drinking water supplies as 1 25 provided in sections 455B.187, 455B.188, 455B.190, and
1 26 455B.190A.
  27 Sec. 2. Section 455B.183A, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 28 2005, is amended to read as follows:
         b. The operation of a public water supply system,
  30 including any part of the system. The commission shall adopt
1 31 a fee schedule which shall be based on the total number of 1 32 persons served by public water supply systems in this state.
1 33 However, a public water supply system shall be assessed a fee
  34 of at least twenty=five dollars. A public water supply system
  35 not owned or operated by a community and serving a transient
  1 population shall be assessed a fee of twenty-five dollars.
   2 The commission shall calculate all fees in the schedule to
   3 produce total revenues equaling three hundred fifty thousand
   4 dollars for each fiscal year, commencing with the fiscal year
   5 beginning July 1, 1995, and ending June 30, 1996. For each 6 fiscal year, one-half of the fees shall be deposited into the
   7 administration account and one-half of the fees shall be
   8 deposited into the public water supply system account. By May
2 9 1 of each year, the department shall estimate the total 2 10 revenue expected to be collected from the overpayment of fees,
2 11 which are all fees in excess of the amount of the total
2 12 revenues which are expected to be collected under the current
2 13 fee schedule, and the total revenue expected to be collected
2 14 from the payment of fees during the next fiscal year. The
2 15 commission shall adjust the fees if the estimate exceeds the
  16 amount of revenue required to be deposited in the fund account
2 17 pursuant to this paragraph.
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         This bill relates to accounts and fees under the water
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2 20 quality protection fund.
2 21 The bill eliminates the administration account of the water
2 22 quality protection fund and provides that moneys formerly
2 23 deposited in the administration account be deposited in the
2 24 public water supply system account of the same fund. The bill
2 25 provides for the appropriation of moneys from the public water
2 26 supply system account for administrative purposes. The bill
2 27 eliminates the minimum amount for fees assessed to public
2 28 water supply systems. The bill also eliminates a \$25 fee
2 29 assessed to public water supply systems not owned or operated
2 30 by a community and serving a transient population.
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