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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to carbon dioxide sequestration, making an
2 appropriation, and including effective date provisions.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 479B.9, Code 2023, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **479B.9 Final order — condition.**

4 The board may grant a permit, subject to section 479B.34, in
5 whole or in part upon terms, conditions, and restrictions as to
6 location and route as it determines to be just and proper. A
7 permit shall not be granted to a pipeline company unless the
8 board determines that the proposed services will promote the
9 public convenience and necessity.

10 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. **479B.34 Contested case proceeding.**

11 A pipeline company shall be required to prove to the board
12 in a contested case proceeding subject to chapter 17A that
13 there is no less costly, less burdensome, or more efficient
14 alternative to sequester carbon dioxide than the pipeline
15 company's application for a permit.

16 Sec. 3. IOWA GEOLOGICAL SURVEY. There is appropriated from
17 the federal Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds,
18 31 C.F.R. §35, to the Iowa geological survey created in section
19 456.1 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending
20 June 30, 2024, the following amount, or so much thereof as is
21 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

22 For the assessment of the geological capacity and
23 feasibility of sequestering industrial carbon emissions in the
24 state:
25 \$ 12,500,000

26 The Iowa geological survey shall submit quarterly reports to
27 the department of natural resources, the department of economic
28 development, and members of the general assembly, regarding
29 carbon dioxide sequestration and shall submit a final report
30 by June 30, 2024.

31 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this
32 section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of
33 the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for
34 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the
35 succeeding fiscal year.

1 Sec. 4. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. There is
2 appropriated from the federal Coronavirus State and Local
3 Fiscal Recovery Funds, 31 C.F.R. §35, to the Iowa economic
4 development authority for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
5 2023, and ending June 30, 2024, the following amount, or so
6 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
7 designated:

8 For the support of the office of the governor's carbon
9 sequestration task force upon a positive feasibility report
10 from the Iowa geological survey, to prepare for and facilitate
11 the capture and sequestration of carbon dioxide in the
12 state by industrial carbon emitters subject to regulation
13 by the department of natural resources in consultation and
14 coordination with stakeholders:

15 \$ 250,000

16 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this
17 section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of
18 the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for
19 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the
20 succeeding fiscal year.

21 Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
22 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

23 EXPLANATION

24 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
25 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

26 This bill relates to carbon dioxide sequestration.

27 The bill requires a pipeline company to prove that there is
28 no less costly, less burdensome, or more efficient alternative
29 to sequester carbon dioxide than the pipeline company's
30 application for a permit in a contested case proceeding
31 pursuant to Code chapter 17A.

32 The bill makes an appropriation to the Iowa geological
33 survey to assess the geological capacity and feasibility of
34 sequestering industrial carbon emissions in the state. The
35 bill requires the Iowa geological survey to submit quarterly

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1 reports to specified departments and entities, and submit a
2 final report on June 30, 2024.

3 The bill makes an appropriation to the economic development
4 authority for the support of the office of the governor's
5 carbon sequestration task force, which shall consult and
6 coordinate with stakeholders.

7 The bill takes effect upon enactment.