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BY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL

RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 3177)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the use of certain moneys in the storage
- 2 tank management account of the groundwater protection fund,
- 3 and making appropriations.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 455E.11, subsection 2, paragraph d,
- 2 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2024, is amended to read as
- 3 follows:
- 4 A storage tank management account. All The account
- 5 shall consist of moneys appropriated to, transferred to, or
- 6 deposited in the account, including fees collected pursuant to
- 7 section 455B.473, subsection 5, and section 455B.479, shall
- 8 be deposited in the storage tank management account. Moneys
- 9 deposited in the account shall be expended for all of the
- 10 following purposes:
- 11 Sec. 2. Section 455E.11, subsection 2, paragraph d, Code
- 12 2024, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- 13 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (1A) Moneys transferred under this Act to
- 14 the account are appropriated for the following purposes:
- 15 (a) For reimbursement to tank owners for all or part of the
- 16 costs of a corrective action for a petroleum release.
- 17 (b) For permanent closure of an underground storage tank
- 18 system under a remedial program pursuant to section 455G.9,
- 19 for additional assessment and corrective action arising out of
- 20 releases at sites for which a certificate of no further action
- 21 has been issued, and for tank operator training. At least
- 22 three million dollars of the moneys expended pursuant to this
- 23 subparagraph shall be expended for this purpose.
- Sec. 3. Section 455E.11, subsection 2, paragraph d,
- 25 subparagraph (2), Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 26 (2) The moneys remaining in the account after the
- 27 appropriation appropriations in subparagraph subparagraphs (1)
- 28 and (1A) are appropriated from the storage tank management
- 29 account to the department of natural resources for the
- 30 administration of a state storage tank program pursuant to
- 31 chapter 455B, subchapter IV, part 8, and for programs which
- 32 that reduce the potential for harm to the environment and the
- 33 public health from storage tanks.
- 34 Sec. 4. TRANSFER OF MONEYS. On the effective date of
- 35 this Act, all unencumbered and unobligated moneys in the

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- 1 Iowa comprehensive petroleum underground storage tank fund
- 2 created in section 455G.3 are transferred to the storage tank
- 3 management account of the groundwater protection fund created
- 4 in section 455E.11.
- 5 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 8 This bill relates to the use of moneys in the storage tank
- 9 management account of the groundwater protection fund that are
- 10 transferred from the Iowa comprehensive petroleum underground
- 11 storage tank fund.
- 12 The groundwater protection fund includes four accounts
- 13 related to groundwater: the solid waste account, the
- 14 agriculture management account, the household hazardous waste
- 15 account, and the storage tank management account. The Iowa
- 16 comprehensive petroleum underground storage tank fund assists
- 17 owners and operators of petroleum underground storage tanks in
- 18 complying with federal regulations.
- 19 The bill transfers all unencumbered and unobligated moneys
- 20 in the Iowa comprehensive petroleum underground storage tank
- 21 fund on the effective date of the bill to the storage tank
- 22 management account. The bill provides that moneys transferred
- 23 to the storage tank management account pursuant to the bill
- 24 shall be used to reimburse tank owners for the costs associated
- 25 with a corrective action for a petroleum release and that
- 26 at least \$3 million of the moneys transferred from the Iowa
- 27 comprehensive petroleum underground storage tank fund to the
- 28 storage tank management account shall be used for the permanent
- 29 closure of underground storage tank systems, actions arising
- 30 from sites where certificates of no further action have been
- 31 issued, and tank operator training.