HOUSE BILL No. 4046

January 8, 1997, Introduced by Rep. Callahan and referred to the Committee on Conservation, Environment and Recreation.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 3115b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 3115B. THE DEPARTMENT MAY PAY AN AWARD OF UP TO 2 \$10,000.00 TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO PROVIDES INFORMATION RESULTING IN 3 THE ASSESSMENT OF A CIVIL FINE BY A COURT IN AN ACTION BROUGHT BY 4 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE DISCHARGE OF UNTREATED SEWAGE OR ANY 5 OTHER UNLAWFUL DISCHARGE INTO THE WATERS OF THIS STATE. AN OFFI-6 CER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE UNITED STATES OR THIS STATE WHO FURNISHES 7 INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION IN THE PERFORMANCE OF AN 8 OFFICIAL DUTY IS INELIGIBLE FOR PAYMENT UNDER THIS SECTION. IN 9 ADDITION, AN EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT, A DESIGNEE OF THE 10 DEPARTMENT, OR A PERSON EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY 11 GENERAL IS INELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN AWARD UNDER THIS SECTION

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1 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE REPORTED INFORMATION CAME TO HIS OR HER 2 ATTENTION WHILE FUNCTIONING IN AN OFFICIAL CAPACITY OR AS A PRI-3 VATE CITIZEN. AN INDIVIDUAL IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN AWARD 4 UNDER THIS SECTION FOR A VIOLATION COMMITTED BY THAT PERSON ALONE 5 OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHERS. AN AWARD SHALL NOT BE MADE UNDER 6 THIS SECTION UNTIL RULES ARE PROMULGATED BY THE DEPARTMENT PRE-7 SCRIBING THE CRITERIA FOR MAKING AWARDS.

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