

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 69

Senators Singh and Santana offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to recognize September 15-19, 2025, as Septic
2 Smart Week.

3 Whereas, Proper septic system use and routine care are vital
4 to protecting public health, preserving our groundwater, lakes,
5 streams, and waterways, and avoiding costly repairs that can result
6 from neglect; and

7 Whereas, Over 1.3 million septic systems in Michigan treat
8 wastewater from homes and businesses which represents a significant
9 part of our state's wastewater infrastructure; and

10 Whereas, If not used and maintained properly, septic systems
11 can become leaky, broken, or outdated and introduce nitrogen,
12 phosphorous, household chemicals, bacteria, viruses, and other
13 harmful pollutants into Michigan's waters; and

14 Whereas, Wastewater professionals use their expertise in the

1 design, installation, maintenance, and regulation of septic
2 systems; and

3 Whereas, The United States Environmental Protection Agency's
4 SepticSmart Program, used by Michigan health officials, educates
5 homeowners about the need for proper septic system use and routine
6 maintenance; and

7 Whereas, Michigan created and began a new statewide septic
8 replacement loan program that assists system owners in replacing
9 failing septic systems; and

10 Whereas, Our residents and environment benefit from properly
11 designed, installed, operated, and maintained septic systems; now,
12 therefore, be it

13 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
14 body recognize September 15-19, 2025, as Septic Smart Week.