# HOUSE BILL NO. 414

# INTRODUCED BY COHEN

# IN THE HOUSE

JANUARY 28, 1991

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES.

FIRST READING.

FEBRUARY 7, 1991 COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.

FEBRUARY 8, 1991 PRINTING REPORT.

FEBRUARY 9, 1991 SECOND READING, DO PASS.

ON MOTION, REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

MARCH 23, 1991 COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.

MARCH 25, 1991

MARCH 28, 1991

PRINTING REPORT.

SECOND READING, DO PASS.

ENGROSSING REPORT.

ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED. BILL PLACED ON THIRD READING THIS DAY.

THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 66; NOES, 33.

TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

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APRIL 11,	1991	COMMITTEE	RECON	MMEND BILI	L BE
		CONCURRED	IN.	REPORT AL	OPTED.

APRIL 13, 1991 SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.

APRIL 15, 1991 THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN.

AYES, 32; NOES, 16.

RETURNED TO HOUSE.

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# APRIL 16, 1991

RECEIVED FROM SENATE.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

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25 NEW SECTION. Section 6. Effective date. [This act] is

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In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for <u>HB0414</u>, <u>as introduced</u>.

### DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

A bill establishing a water quality rehabilitation account; requiring that fines and civil penalties collected for violations of title 75, chapter 5, MCA, be deposited in the water quality rehabilitation account; providing for a statutory appropriation of the account to the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences; requiring that certain costs and expenses recovered by the department for actions financed by the water quality rehabilitation account be deposited in the account.

### ASSUMPTIONS:

- The amount of fines that will be collected in FY92 and FY93 cannot be reliably estimated. In FY90, \$39,500 in fines was collected and deposited to the general fund. For purposes of this fiscal note, it is assumed that at least \$20,000 would be collected in FY92 and in FY93.
- 2. The amount of expenditures from the water quality rehabilitation account that would be recovered cannot be reliably estimated. For purposes of this fiscal note, it is assumed that 50% of expenditures from the account would be recovered one year after the funds are expended.
- 3. Total expenditures would not change. Cleanup expenditures and cost recoveries, up to the maximum of revenues available to the water quality rehabilitation fund, would be diverted from the environmental quality protection fund (EQPF).

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Department of Health and Environmental Sciences:

#### <u>Revenues:</u>

	FY 92		FY 93			
	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference	<u>Current Law</u>	Proposed Law	Difference
General Fund (01)	20,000	0	(20,000)	20,000	0	(20,000)
Water Qual. Acct. (02)	0	20,000	20,000	0	30,000	30,000
EQPF (02)	0	0	0	10,000	0	(10,000)
Total	20,000	20,000	0	30,000	30,000	0

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2	INTRODUCED BY COHEN	2 for purposes of implementing this bill; and
3		3 (3) the criteria the department may use to prioritize
4	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A WATER	4 use of funds from the water quality rehabilitation account.
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6	CIVIL PENALTIES COLLECTED FOR VIOLATIONS OF TITLE 75,	6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
7	CHAPTER 5, MCA, BE DEPOSITED IN THE WATER QUALITY	7 NEW SECTION. Section 1. Water quality rehabilitation
8	REHABILITATION ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR A STATUTORY	8 account use criteria. (1) There is a water quality
9	APPROPRIATION OF THE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND	9 rehabilitation account within the state special revenue fund
10	ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES; REQUIRING THAT CERTAIN COSTS AND	10 established in 17-2-102.
11	EXPENSES RECOVERED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR ACTIONS FINANCED BY	11 (2) Fines and civil penalties collected for violations
12	THE WATER QUALITY REHABILITATION ACCOUNT BE DEPOSITED IN THE	12 of any provision of this chapter or a rule, permit, effluent
13	ACCOUNT; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-7-502, 75-5-634, AND 75-5-635,	13 standard, or order issued under the provisions of this
14	MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."	14 chapter must be deposited in the water quality
15		15 rehabilitation account pursuant to 75-5-634. The account is
16	STATEMENT OF INTENT	16 statutorily appropriated, as provided in 17-7-502, to the
17	A statement of intent is required for this bill in order	17 department.
18	to provide guidance to the department of health and	18 (3) The department may spend funds deposited in the
19	environmental sciences concerning its authority to make	19 water quality rehabilitation account for the following
20	rules on the following subjects:	20 purposes:
21	(1) the nature of WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION AND water	21 (A) TO RESPOND IF WASTES HAVE BEEN PLACED IN A LOCATION
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23	undertaken by the department;	23 fa; (B) to respond to emergency water pollution events,
24	(2) the nature of investigative and	24 including spills and accidents, in an effort to repair,
25	information-gathering activities the department may	25 restore, and rehabilitate the affected state waters;
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1 (b)(C) to repair, restore, and rehabilitate state
2 waters that are chronically or periodically adversely
3 affected as a result of past pollution-causing events or
4 activities; and

5 (c)(D) whenever the department discovers or suspects
6 that a pollution problem exists, to investigate or gather
7 information that is necessary and appropriate to identify
8 the existence, nature, origin, and extent of the pollution
9 and to identify an appropriate response.

10 (4) The department may draw upon the account in order11 to take action under subsection (3) only if:

12 (a) (i) WASTES HAVE BEEN PLACED IN A LOCATION WHERE 13 THEY ARE LIKELY TO CAUSE POLLUTION OF STATE WATERS OR an 14 emergency water pollution event has occurred and the 15 department is either unable to identify a responsible party 16 or the responsible party fails to <u>CLEAN UP THE WASTES OR TO</u> 17 repair, restore, or rehabilitate the adversely affected 18 state waters in a timely manner; and

(ii) the department determines that prompt action is
necessary to <u>PREVENT POLLUTION OF STATE WATERS</u>, protect
public health, minimize the extent of environmental damage,
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responding to the emergency situation; or

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for pollution resulting from past events or activities and
 has been unable to identify the person or take enforcement
 action as provided in Title 75, chapter 5, part 6.

4 Section 2. Section 17-7-502, MCA, is amended to read:

5 "17-7-502. Statutory appropriations -- definition --6 requisites for validity. (1) A statutory appropriation is an 7 appropriation made by permanent law that authorizes spending 8 by a state agency without the need for a biennial 9 legislative appropriation or budget amendment.

10 (2) Except as provided in subsection (4), to be
11 effective, a statutory appropriation must comply with both
12 of the following provisions:

13 (a) The law containing the statutory authority must be14 listed in subsection (3).

(b) The law or portion of the law making a statutory
appropriation must specifically state that a statutory
appropriation is made as provided in this section.

(3) The following laws are the only laws containing 18 statutory appropriations: 2-9-202; 2-17-105; 2-18-812; 19 10-3-203; 10-3-312; 10-3-314; 10-4-301; 13-37-304; 15-1-111; 20 15-25-123; 15-31-702; 15-36-112; 15-37-117; 15-65-121; 21 15-70-101; 16-1-404; 16-1-410; 16-1-411; 17-3-212; 17-5-404; 22 19-9-1007; 19-9-702; 23 17-5-424: 17-5-804; 19-8-504; 19-10-305; 19-10-506; 19-11-512; 19-11-513; 24 19-10-205; 19-12-301; 19-13-604; 20-6-406; 20-8-111; 25 19-11-606;

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8 (4) There is a statutory appropriation to pay the principal, interest, premiums, and costs of issuing, paying, 9 and securing all bonds, notes, or other obligations, as due, 10 11 that have been authorized and issued pursuant to the laws of 12 Montana. Agencies that have entered into agreements 13 authorized by the laws of Montana to pay the state 14 treasurer, for deposit in accordance with 17-2-101 through 15 17-2-107, as determined by the state treasurer. an amount 16 sufficient to pay the principal and interest as due on the 17 bonds or notes have statutory appropriation authority for 18 such payments. (In subsection (3), pursuant to sec. 10, Ch. 19 664, L. 1987, the inclusion of 39-71-2504 terminates June 20 30, 1991,)"

Section 3. Section 75-5-634, MCA, is amended to read: 21 22 \*75-5-634. Fines--to--go-to-general-fund Disposition of 23 fines and civil penalties. Pines (1) Except as provided in 24 subsections (2) and (3), fines and civil penalties 25 collected, except those collected in a justice's court,

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