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House Bill 5546 (as reported without amendment)  
Sponsor: Representative Michael Nye  
House Committee: Judiciary and Civil Rights  
Senate Committee: Judiciary

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to specify that a person who owned land that was not in compliance with a part of the Act dealing with soil erosion and sedimentation control or who, after notice, refused to implement and maintain soil erosion and sedimentation control measures, would be responsible for a State civil infraction and could be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than \$500. The Act currently provides that a violator is subject to a civil fine of up to \$500.

In addition, the bill would delete a provision requiring that the fines be paid to the responsible enforcing agency in the local unit in which the land is located, and allowing a default in payment to be remedied by any means authorized under the Revised Judicature Act.

MCL 324.9121

Legislative Analyst: P. Affholter

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State. Fine revenue would be payable to public libraries, instead of local enforcing agencies.

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Fiscal Analyst: G. Cutler

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