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BILL ANALYSIS

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House Bill 5003 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Representative Shri Thanedar
House Committee: Appropriations
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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA) to extend the sunset dates for certain fees collected by the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE). The bill also would amend NREPA to remove provisions related to a \$8 processing user charge for hazardous waste manifest that expired on October 1, 2021.

The bill would extend the sunset dates to October 1, 2025, for the following fees:

- Floodplain permit application fees.
- Wastewater and stormwater operator training and certification fees.
- Stormwater discharge fees.
- Surface water discharge fees.
- Hazardous waste handler user charges.
- Land and water permit fees.

MCL 324.3104 et al.

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a positive fiscal impact on EGLE. The bill would extend the sunsets for current fees. Therefore, fee revenue for the extended fees would continue to be determined by the volume of permits issued and user fees assessed. According to the Department, these fees equaled a total of \$7.9 million in fiscal year 2020-21, as shown in the table below. If the bill were not enacted, then this would represent a projected loss of annual revenue for EGLE in approximately the same amount.

FY 2020-21 Fee Revenue	
Fee Category	Revenue
Surface Water Discharge Fees	\$2,900,000
Land and Water Permit Fees	2,883,000
Stormwater Discharge Fees	1,540,000
Operator Training and Certification	\$503,900
Hazardous Waste Fees	25,000
Total	\$7,851,900
Source: EGLE	

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