

HOUSE BILL NO. 6174

November 26, 2024, Introduced by Reps. Skaggs, Price, Hood, Tsernoglou, Xiong and Rheingans and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, Environment, Tourism and Outdoor Recreation.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding sections 12722, 12723, and 12724.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 12722. (1) If the owner of a private drinking water well
2 notifies the department that PFAS was detected in the owner's
3 private drinking water well and the amount of PFAS detected is
4 above EPA or state maximum contaminant levels, within 30 days, the

1 department shall provide a notice that contains, at a minimum, all
2 of the following information to the owner of the private drinking
3 water well that notified the department under this subsection:

4 (a) Advice on the household use of water, including
5 instructions that may reduce the threat posed by PFAS in the water.

6 (b) Information on how to obtain a free PFAS NSF certified
7 water filter from a local health department.

8 (c) Other educational materials on PFAS, including potential
9 health risks and how an owner may obtain additional testing.

10 (2) In addition to the notice requirement under subsection
11 (1), the department shall provide a notice that contains, at a
12 minimum, all of the following information to any owner of real
13 property within a 1-mile radius of a private drinking water well
14 where PFAS was detected under subsection (1):

15 (a) A statement that a private drinking water well located
16 within a 1-mile radius of the owner's real property was tested for
17 PFAS.

18 (b) A statement that the amount of PFAS detected is above EPA
19 or state maximum contaminant levels.

20 (c) Advice on the household use of water, including
21 instructions that may reduce the threat posed by PFAS in the water.

22 (d) Information on how an owner may obtain testing for the
23 owner's private drinking water well, and how to notify the
24 department if testing detects an amount of PFAS above EPA or state
25 maximum contaminant levels.

26 (e) Other educational materials on PFAS, including potential
27 health risks.

28 (3) If the department through its own investigation detects
29 PFAS in a monitoring well or drinking water well, and the amount of

1 PFAS detected is above EPA or state maximum contaminant levels,
2 within 30 days after the PFAS is detected, the department shall
3 provide a notice that contains all of the information described
4 under subsection (1) to any owner of real property within a 1-mile
5 radius of the location where the department detected the presence
6 of PFAS.

7 (4) As used in this section:

8 (a) "Department" means the department of environment, Great
9 Lakes, and energy.

10 (b) "EPA" means the United States Environmental Protection
11 Agency.

12 (c) "Local health department" means that term as defined in
13 section 1105.

14 (d) "PFAS" means a perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substance
15 that includes any member of the class of fluorinated organic
16 chemicals containing at least 1 fully fluorinated carbon atom.

17 Sec. 12723. A local health department shall provide a free
18 PFAS NFS certified water filter to any owner of a private drinking
19 water well in which PFAS was detected under section 12722. To
20 obtain a free PFAS NFS certified water filter under this section,
21 the owner shall provide a copy of a notice received under section
22 12722.

23 Sec. 12724. The department of environment, Great Lakes, and
24 energy shall create a voluntary registry of individuals who are
25 required to be notified when testing occurs under section 12722(3).
26 The individuals included in the voluntary registry must be notified
27 via an email that contains all of the following information:

28 (a) The location of the testing.

29 (b) The date the testing occurred.

1 (c) The reason for the testing.