

COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Energy and Environmental Affairs, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 72, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new
2 paragraph and insert:
3 "SECTION 1. IC 14-37-10-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
4 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011]: Sec. 5. (a) Money paid into
5 the fund shall be appropriated for the following purposes:
6 (1) To supplement the cost required to abandon a well that has
7 had a permit revoked under IC 14-37-13-1.
8 (2) To cover the costs of remedial plugging and repairing of wells
9 under IC 14-37-8, including the expenses of remedial action
10 under IC 14-37-8-15.
11 (3) To cover the cost to:
12 (A) mitigate environmental damage; or
13 (B) protect public safety against harm;
14 caused by a well regulated under this article.
15 **(4) Pipeline safety.**
16 (b) The director may make expenditures from the fund for
17 emergency purposes under section 6 of this chapter without the prior
18 approval of the budget agency or the governor. An expenditure under
19 this subsection may not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).
20 (c) The director may establish a program to reimburse an applicant

1 for the reasonable expenses of remedial action incurred under
2 IC 14-37-8-15. The director may make expenditures from the fund for
3 this purpose and may establish any necessary guidelines and
4 procedures to administer the program."

5 Page 2, line 30, delete "dioxide;" and insert "**dioxide located in**
6 **Indiana;**".

7 Page 5, line 11, delete "land, improvements, a right-of-way," and
8 insert "**a right-of-way or**".

9 Page 5, line 11, after "easement" delete ", or any" and insert
10 "**necessary or useful for:**".

11 Page 5, delete line 12.

12 Page 5, line 25, delete "ninety (90)" and insert "**one hundred eighty**
13 **(180)**".

14 Page 5, line 34, delete "carbon dioxide" and insert "**oil and gas**
15 **environmental fund established by IC 14-37-10-2.**".

16 Page 5, delete lines 35 through 42.

17 Delete page 6.

18 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

19 (Reference is to SB 72 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 6, Nays 1.

Gard

Chairperson