

**HB418 INTRODUCED**



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2 By Representative Shedd  
3 RFD: Ways and Means General Fund  
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4     SYNOPSIS:

5                 Under existing law, the Alabama Department of  
6     Environmental Management Fund consists of monies from  
7     any source to be used in furtherance of the  
8     department's duties and obligations.

9                 This bill would provide for an assessment on  
10    each community water system to be deposited into the  
11    Alabama Department of Environmental Management Fund.

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14                 A BILL

15                 TO BE ENTITLED

16                 AN ACT

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18                 Relating to environmental assessments; to provide for  
19     an assessment on each community water system to be remitted to  
20     the Alabama Department of Environmental Management.

21     BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

22                 Section 1. (a) Beginning on October 1, 2024, the  
23     Alabama Environmental Management Commission may levy an annual  
24     assessment on community water systems regulated by the Alabama  
25     Department of Environmental Management to be used to assure  
26     the integrity and quality of water intended for human  
27     consumption as well as to carry out other environmental  
28     activities set forth in Chapter 22A of Title 22, Code of

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29       Alabama 1975. The assessment shall be in an amount not to  
30       exceed twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) annually as  
31       determined by the commission using a formula based upon and in  
32       proportion to the number of users and size of each community  
33       water system.

34               (b) The department shall notify each community water  
35       system as to the amount of their assessment which shall be  
36       remitted to the department by the twentieth day of the month  
37       following the last month of the quarter in which the  
38       assessment was levied. The department shall deposit all funds  
39       collected pursuant to this section into the Alabama Department  
40       of Environmental Management Fund.

41               (c) The department may increase the maximum amount of  
42       the assessment as needed as provided in and in compliance with  
43       Section 41-1-11, Code of Alabama 1975.

44               (d) The Alabama Environmental Management Commission  
45       shall adopt rules as necessary for the implementation and  
46       administration of this act.

47               Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first  
48       day of the third month following its passage and approval by  
49       the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.