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2021 SENATE BILL 518

August 19, 2021 - Introduced by Senators Cowles, Feyen, Petrowski, Bewley and Jacque, cosponsored by Representatives Armstrong, Tittl, Ramthun, Rozar, Ohnstad, Tauchen, Thiesfeldt, VanderMeer and Tusler. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

1 AN ACT to renumber and amend 66.1105 (20m) (a) 1.; to amend 66.1106 (1)

(d); and *to create* 66.1105 (20m) (a) 1. b. of the statutes; **relating to:** environmental pollution in an environmental remediation tax incremental district.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law allows a city, village, town, or county to create an environmental remediation tax incremental district so that the tax increments generated by the district may be used to pay the costs of remediating environmental pollution on contiguous parcels of property that are located in the district. For purposes of an environmental remediation tax incremental district, "environmental pollution" means contaminating or rendering unclean or impure the air, land, or waters of the state, or making the air, land, or waters of the state injurious to public health, harmful for commercial or recreational use, or deleterious to fish, bird, animal, or plant life. This bill modifies that definition of "environmental pollution" so that it includes substances that if released into the air, land, or waters of the state due to the redevelopment of an existing structure would be harmful to public health or harmful for commercial or recreational use.

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For further information see the local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

1	SECTION 1. 66.1105 (20m) (a) 1. of the statutes is renumbered 66.1105 (20m)
2	(a) 1. (intro.) and amended to read:
3	66.1105 (20m) (a) 1. (intro.) "Environmental pollution" has the meaning given
4	means all of the following:
5	a. Environmental pollution, as defined in s. 299.01 (4).
6	Section 2. 66.1105 (20m) (a) 1. b. of the statutes is created to read:
7	66.1105 (20m) (a) 1. b. Substances that if released into the air, land, or waters
8	of the state due to the redevelopment of an existing structure would be harmful to
9	public health or harmful for commercial or recreational use.
10	SECTION 3. 66.1106 (1) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:
11	66.1106 (1) (d) "Environmental pollution" has the meaning given in s. 292.01
12	(4) 66.1105 (20m) (a) 1., except that "environmental pollution" does not include any
13	damage caused by runoff from land under agricultural use.

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