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SENATE BILL NO. 358

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR KEHOE.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 644.011, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to water pollution control.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 644.011, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 644.011, to read as follows:

644.011. Whereas the pollution of the waters of this state constitutes a
2 menace to public health and welfare, creates a public nuisance, is harmful to
3 wildlife, fish and aquatic life and impairs domestic, agricultural, industrial,
4 recreational and other legitimate uses of water, and whereas the problem of
5 water pollution in this state is closely related to the problem of water pollution
6 in adjoining states, and whereas this state must possess the authority required
7 of states in the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended if it is to retain
8 control of its water pollution control programs, it is hereby declared to be the
9 public policy of this state to conserve the waters of the state and to protect,
10 maintain, and improve the quality thereof for public water supplies and for
11 domestic, agricultural, industrial, recreational and other legitimate beneficial
12 uses and for the propagation of wildlife, fish and aquatic life; to provide that no
13 waste be discharged into any waters of the state without first receiving the
14 necessary treatment or other corrective action to protect the legitimate beneficial
15 uses of such waters and meet the requirements of the Federal Water Pollution
16 Control Act as amended; to provide for the prevention, abatement and control of
17 new or existing water pollution; and to cooperate with other agencies of the state,
18 agencies of other states, the federal government and any other persons in
19 carrying out these objectives. **It is also the policy of this state to strive to**
20 **meet these objectives while maintaining maximum employment and full**

21 **industrial development of the state. The commission shall seek the**
22 **accomplishment of these objectives through the prevention, abatement,**
23 **and control of water pollution by all practical and economically**
24 **feasible methods.**

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