



## 95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2007 and 2008

HB5256

by Rep. Patricia R. Bellock

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

615 ILCS 5/14b new

Amends the Rivers, Lakes, and Streams Act. Requires the Director of the Environmental Protection Agency to seek negotiations with each state that borders Lake Michigan to establish a notification policy under which the states will notify one another when permitting new sources of water pollution or increased levels of pollution into Lake Michigan. Requires the Director to report to the General Assembly no later than January 1, 2009 on the status of these negotiations. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning waterways.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Rivers, Lakes, and Streams Act is amended by  
5 adding Section 14b as follows:

6 (615 ILCS 5/14b new)

7 Sec. 14b. Negotiations for interstate pollution  
8 notification policy.

9 (a) The Director of the Environmental Protection Agency  
10 shall seek negotiations with each state that borders Lake  
11 Michigan to establish a notification policy under which the  
12 states will notify one another when permitting new sources of  
13 water pollution or increased levels of pollution into Lake  
14 Michigan.

15 (b) The Director must report to the General Assembly no  
16 later than January 1, 2009 on the status of these negotiations.

17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
18 becoming law.