

October 28, 2024

Senator Sean McCann, Chair Michigan Senate Committee on Energy and Environment P.O. Box 30014 Lansing MI 48909-7514

Dear Chair McCann,

The League of Women Voters of Michigan urges you to hold a hearing and a committee vote on the Polluter Pay bills, Senate Bills 605-610. These bills will make polluters pay to clean up the contamination they cause on Michigan land and water.

Right now there are hundreds of contaminated sites in Michigan that were contaminated by corporate polluters, and yet Michigan taxpayers are on the hook to pay for cleanups. Those who are responsible for environmental contamination need to be held responsible for cleaning it up. This is a basic issue of fairness – taxpayers should not be liable for cleaning up after wealthy corporations.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

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cc: Senator Jeff Irwin, Bill Sponsor