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HB4706 AS INTRODUCED

Sponsor: Rep. Larry DeVuyst

Committee: CONSERVATION AND OUTDOOR

RECREATION

Analyst(s): Lindquist, Kirk Completed: 11/28/01

State Fiscal Impact Local Fiscal Impact

Revenues: None Revenues: None

House Bill 4706 would amend the Governmental Immunity Act, 1964 PA 170, to grant a municipal corporation immunity from civil liability for damages caused as a result of the backup of a sewer or drain system built, operated, maintained, or repaired by, or otherwise under the jurisdiction of, the municipal corporation. The immunity would apply regardless of the theory of liability under which a claim is brought. Also, the bill would not apply to an act or omission by the municipal corporation related to such a sewer or drain system that amounts to gross negligence.

House Bill 4706 would deny tort relief to any entity, including another governmental unit, which suffers a loss due to sewer or drain system backup.