

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 592  
2 INTRODUCED BY J. HINKLE

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
5 TO AMEND DEQ4 TO ALLOW FOR DRAIN SYSTEMS IN AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN CUT OR FILLED TO  
6 BE USED FOR NEW SUBSURFACE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS; AND PROVIDING AN  
7 IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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11 NEW SECTION. **Section 1. Department to amend rules and circular.** The department of  
12 environmental quality, under its authority to promulgate rules pursuant to 75-5-305 and 76-4-104, shall amend  
13 the technical standards found in DEQ4 and all necessary administrative rules to allow for a drain system in an  
14 area that has been cut or filled to be used for a new subsurface wastewater treatment system.

15 (2) The amendments to DEQ4 and all necessary administrative rules required in subsection (1)  
16 must provide that soil testing conditions and adequate separation restrictions from limiting layers apply to a  
17 drain system in an area that has been cut or filled and is used as a new subsurface wastewater treatment  
18 system.

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20 NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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