## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

# State of Illinois

# 2023 and 2024

#### SB1706

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

765 ILCS 122/2

Amends the Uniform Environmental Covenants Act. Removes language providing that "environmental response project" includes a plan or work that is performed for environmental remediation of any site or facility in response to contamination at specified sites or facilities. Provides instead that "environmental response project" includes a plan or work that is performed or conducted to clean up, remediate, eliminate, investigate, minimize, mitigate, or prevent the release or threatened release of contaminants affecting real property in order to protect public health or welfare or the environment. Removes the definition of "State".

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1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

# Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Uniform Environmental Covenants Act is 5 amended by changing Section 2 as follows:

6 (765 ILCS 122/2)

7 Sec. 2. Definitions. In this Act:

8 "Activity and use limitations" means restrictions or 9 obligations created under this Act with respect to real 10 property.

11 "Agency" means the Illinois Environmental Protection 12 Agency or any other State or federal agency that determines or 13 approves the environmental response project pursuant to which 14 the environmental covenant is created.

15 "Board" means the Pollution Control Board established by 16 the Environmental Protection Act.

means 17 "Common interest community" a condominium, cooperative, or other real property with respect to which a 18 19 person, by virtue of the person's ownership of a parcel of real 20 property, is obligated to pay property taxes or insurance 21 premiums, or for maintenance, or improvement of other real property described in a recorded covenant that creates the 22 common interest community. 23

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"Environmental covenant" means a servitude that (i) arises
 under an environmental response project or under a court or
 Board order and (ii) imposes activity and use limitations.

4 "Environmental response project" means a plan or work that 5 is:

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(1) approved or overseen by an agency; and

7 (2) performed or conducted to clean up, remediate, eliminate, investigate, minimize, mitigate, or prevent the 8 9 release or threatened release of contaminants affecting 10 real property in order to protect public health or welfare 11 or the environment, including, but not limited to for 12 environmental remediation of any site or facility in 13 response to contamination at any one or more 14 following sites or facilities:

15 (A) under a federal or State program governing 16 environmental remediation of real property, including, but not limited to, programs under the Comprehensive 17 Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act 18 19 of 1980, as amended (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), the 20 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.), the Environmental 21 22 Protection Act, or any rule or regulation adopted 23 thereunder sites or facilities that are listed 24 proposed or final on the National Priorities List 25 to Section 105 of the Comprehensive <del>pursuant</del> 26 Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act

1	of 1980, as amended (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.);
2	(B) <u>incident to the closure of a solid or</u>
3	hazardous waste management unit, if the closure is
4	conducted with the approval of an agency sites or
5	facilities undergoing remediation pursuant to an
6	administrative order issued pursuant to Section 106 of
7	the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation
8	and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (42 U.S.C. 9601
9	et seq.);
10	(C) <u>under a State voluntary clean-up program</u>
11	authorized under the Environmental Protection Act or
12	any rule adopted thereunder sites or facilities that
13	are or were formerly owned or operated by a
14	department, agency, or instrumentality of the United
15	States that are undergoing remediation pursuant to
16	Section 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental
17	Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as
18	amended (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.);
19	(D) <u>(blank)</u> <del>sites or facilities undergoing</del>
20	remediation pursuant to a settlement agreement
21	pursuant to Section 122 of the Comprehensive
22	Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act

of 1980, as amended (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.); 24 (E) (blank) sites or facilities undergoing 25 remediation pursuant to Section 3008(h) of the 26 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (42

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U.S.C. 6901 et seq.);

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(blank) sites or facilities undergoing 2 (F) remediation pursuant to Section 7003 of the Resource 3 Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 6901 4 5 et seq.); (blank) sites or facilities undergoing 6 (G) 7 remediation pursuant to a court or Board order issued pursuant to the Illinois Environmental Protection Act 8 9 (415 ILCS 5/1 et seq.) with the approval of the Agency; 10 or 11 (H) (blank) sites or facilities undergoing 12 remediation pursuant to a Compliance Commitment 13 Agreement entered into under Section 31 of Environmental Protection Act. 14 15 "Holder" means the grantee of an environmental covenant as specified in Section 3(a). 16 17 "Person" means an individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, limited liability company, 18 19 association, joint venture, public corporation, government, governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, or any 20 21 other legal or commercial entity.

"Prior interest" means a preceding or senior interest, in time or in right, that is recorded with respect to the real property, including but not limited to a mortgage, easement, or other interest, lien, or encumbrance predating the recording of an environmental covenant. SB1706 - 5 - LRB103 25656 LNS 52005 b

1 "Record", used as a noun, means information that is 2 inscribed on a tangible medium or that is stored in an 3 electronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable 4 form.

5 "State" means a state of the United States, the District 6 of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or 7 any territory or insular possession subject to the 8 jurisdiction of the United States.

9 (Source: P.A. 99-396, eff. 8-18-15.)