

# BILL

No. 48

## An Act to amend *The Management and Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Act*

(Assented to \_\_\_\_\_)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

### Short title

1 This Act may be cited as *The Management and Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Amendment Act, 2012*.

### S.S. 2010, c.M-2.01, new sections 62.1 to 62.3

2 The following sections are added after section 62 of *The Management and Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Act*:

#### “Any resident may apply for an investigation

62.1(1) Any resident of Saskatchewan who is at least 18 years old and who is of the opinion that a contravention against this Act, the regulations or the code has been committed may apply to the minister for an investigation of the alleged contravention.

(2) A person applying for an investigation pursuant to this section shall ensure that the application is accompanied by a solemn or statutory declaration that:

- (a) states the name and address of the applicant;
- (b) states the nature of the alleged contravention and the name of each person alleged to be involved in the commission of the contravention; and
- (c) contains a concise statement of the evidence supporting the allegations of the applicant.

#### “Investigation following application

62.2(1) Within 20 days after receiving an application pursuant to section 62.1, the minister shall:

- (a) provide the applicant with an acknowledgment of the receipt of the application; and
- (b) investigate all matters that the minister considers necessary to determine the facts relating to the alleged contravention.

(2) Subject to subsection (4), after acknowledging receipt of the application, the minister shall report to the applicant every 90 days on the progress of the investigation and the action, if any, that the minister has taken or proposes to take.

(3) In a report made pursuant to subsection (2), the minister shall include an estimate of the time required to complete the investigation or to implement the action.

- (4) A report pursuant to subsection (2) is not required if the investigation is discontinued before the end of the 90-day period mentioned in that subsection.
- (5) The minister may discontinue an investigation if the minister is of the opinion that the alleged contravention does not require further investigation.
- (6) If an investigation is discontinued, the minister shall:
  - (a) prepare a written report describing the information obtained during the investigation and stating the reasons for its discontinuation; and
  - (b) send a copy of the report to the applicant and to any person whose conduct was investigated.
- (7) A copy of the report sent pursuant to subsection (6) to a person whose conduct was investigated must not disclose the name or address of the applicant or any other personal information about the applicant.

**“Penalty for false statements**

- 62.3(1)** No person shall knowingly make a false statement in an application pursuant to subsection 62.1(2) that causes an investigation to be commenced.
- (2) Every person who contravenes subsection (1) is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$25,000, to imprisonment for not more than 90 days or to both that fine and imprisonment”.

**Coming into force**

- 3** This Act comes into force on the day on which section 1 of *The Management and Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Act* comes into force.



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Received and read the

First time

Second time

Third time

And passed

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Honourable Ken Cheveldayoff

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