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**A BILL**

To require the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency 1  
to conduct a study to determine where brownfield 2  
sites are located in this state and to make an 3  
appropriation. 4

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** All items in this section are hereby 5  
appropriated as designated out of any moneys in the state 6  
treasury to the credit of the designated fund. For all 7  
appropriations made in this act, those in the first column are 8  
for fiscal year 2020 and those in the second column are for 9  
fiscal year 2021. The appropriations made in this act are in 10  
addition to any other appropriations made for the FY 2020-FY 11  
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A	EPA Environmental Protection Agency				
B	General Revenue Fund				
C	GRF	715603	Brownfield Study	\$0	\$150,000
D	TOTAL GRF	General Revenue Fund		\$0	\$150,000
E	TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS			\$0	\$150,000

BROWNFIELD STUDY 14

(A) The foregoing appropriation item 715603, Brownfield Study, shall be used by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a study in conjunction with public universities in this state to determine where brownfield sites are located in this state. 15  
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(B) The study shall do all of the following: 20

(1) Identify and determine the number of brownfield sites in this state in need of cleanup; 21  
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(2) Estimate the cost of performing cleanup at the identified brownfield sites; 23  
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(3) Identify funding sources to support the cleanup of identified brownfield sites; 25  
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(4) Develop recommendations for changes to state and local laws and policies that would help facilitate the cleanup of the identified brownfield sites; 27  
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(5) Study and develop recommendations regarding any other issue relevant to the cleanup of brownfield sites in this state. 30  
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(C) The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency shall 32

complete a report with its findings and recommendations not 33  
later than January 1, 2023, and submit its report to the General 34  
Assembly. The Director shall make the report readily accessible 35  
to the public on the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's web 36  
site. 37

(D) As used in this section, "brownfield" means an 38  
abandoned, idled, or under-used industrial, commercial, or 39  
institutional property where expansion or redevelopment is 40  
complicated by known or potential releases of hazardous 41  
substances or petroleum. 42

**Section 2.** Within the limits set forth in this act, the 43  
Director of Budget and Management shall establish accounts 44  
indicating the source and amount of funds for each appropriation 45  
made in this act, and shall determine the form and manner in 46  
which appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures 47  
from appropriations contained in this act shall be accounted for 48  
as though made in the main operating appropriations act of the 49  
133rd General Assembly. 50

The appropriations made in this act are subject to all 51  
provisions of H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly that are 52  
generally applicable to such appropriations. 53