

HB 343 -- Hazardous Substances

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This bill specifies that when a hazardous substance release occurs the person having control of the hazardous substance is liable for the reasonable and necessary clean-up costs incurred by the political subdivision or volunteer fire protection association providing the emergency services. No later than 60 days after completion of the hazardous substance cleanup, the emergency services provider is required to furnish the liable person with an itemized statement of all costs associated with the cleanup. Clean-up cost statements may be appealed to the Director of the Department of Natural Resources with the burden of proof on the emergency services provider.

Any owner of anhydrous ammonia will not be liable for clean-up costs as a result of an anhydrous ammonia release by a tamperer.