

## **SB 2-A — Public Health**

by Senators Gaetz, Negron, Evers, Dean, Detert, Lynn, Storms and Hays

The Department of Health (DOH) is responsible for administering a statewide septic tank evaluation program. The program requires all owners of septic tanks to have the tank and associated drain fields evaluated every five years to ensure they are working to their designed operational and permitted specifications. The law requires that the DOH undertake rulemaking and implement the first phase of the evaluation program by January 1, 2011, with full statewide implementation by January 1, 2016.

The bill extends the implementation date of the septic tank evaluation program from January 1, 2011, to July 1, 2011.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect upon becoming law.

*Vote: Senate 38-1; House 112-6*