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Averting a Water Crisis is Not the Objective of Government! Aggregating the Water Supply based on Federalist paper #10, 39, 41 and 64. <u>Uniformly Bankrupting</u> the water supply *"unfortunately"* is the Objective of the U.S. Constitution.

Aggregating/Bankrupting to appease the *net-profit scheming*, benefitting our politicians "Artfully" claimed as Process Due "Naturalized" in the 14th Amendment.

February 1^{st,} I was in Tallahassee for the reading of Senate Bill 64.

Senate Bill 64 is an Act relating to Reclaimed Water, implementing *Direct Potable Reuse*, up to 30% reuse capacity *added* Directly to our vital household water supply, Directly adding Reclaimed Water into our *Essential* water supply;, for Drinking, Showering and cooking as based on statute 403.086 (8)(a), written on line 187 of the bill.

in seen statute 381.0065(4)(h-2), on line251

The Bill, as based on the Reclaimed Water "Variance" (a variance recognized in Federalist papers #31, 38 and 40) entitles a 3rd Party Private Entity, Transfer of Development Rights to install <u>Residential</u> Grey Water Systems, (using 100%), reclaimed water for <u>toilet</u> usage, based on statute 403.064 (7)&(16), the cost of such 3rd Party Development Right , shall be the responsibility of the Homeowner and is to be levied out-of the Homeowners Equity for payment. Again, seen as a "Variance" in statute 381.0065(4)(h-2) stemming from 1972, on line 251, and again in HB639, Based on Maloney's Water Code section 1;13, published in '72, this *indoor* toilet installation shall also be accompanied by an Annual Surveillance Charge, written in as a "Bonus" on line 260 of the Bill, -seen as an incentive on line 247 of the bill.

Lastly (as aggregate) the Act allows for the Collection and <u>Retail</u> Sale of Rain Water, the Bill describes this as the "Elimination of Non-Beneficial Surface Water Discharge", allowing a 3rd Party Facility or Entity to pump the Rain Water from out our Utility System, for 3rd Party Capitalistic Pursuits. Capturing Rain Water Outflow for the *Benefit* of Private Entities, Authorizing "Interagency" Gray Water Technologies, benefitting their "so-Called" respective Jurisdiction on line 255.

This Bill exhibits the <u>manifesting of capitalistic pursuits in the in the development of an</u> <u>"unwarranted" water jurisdiction, as Declared</u>. (*That's called Carpetbagging*!) The Act also allows (based on the Reclaimed Water Variance) Development rights to be granted via statute 153.03 to install Grey Water into all residential Homes within the "Ready to Serve Zone" equipping all civilian owned properties to reclaimed water hook-ups indoor for toilet use, in Dana Youngs HB639. And is to be soldiered under the 3rd Amendment. <u>Mr. Bruce Matulich from E.G.I.A, Sacramento California in addressing Tampa Bay Water</u> <u>Authority in October 2019, developed a toilet tracking/inspection service in "RealTime".....</u>

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148 from the department, and the utility must fully implement such plan within 5 years after receiving an approval by the 149 COUPERT MASSI DIOUS FACILITY UNDERTAKING AS OF THE PLAN"! 150 department. 151 domestic wastewater utility applying for a permit for Α FACILITY surface water discharge shall prepare a plan 152 expanded in accordance with this subsection as part of that permity via Unity 153 154 application. The department may not approve a permit for a new AIDING AND ABETING A or expanded surface water discharge unless the plan meets one or 155 310 PARTY INTERNAL more of the conditions provided in paragraph (a). 156 PROFIT MECHANISM. 157 By December 31, 2021, and annually thereafter, the PLACING RECLAIMED WATER (h) department shall submit a report to the President of the Senate 158 159 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives which provides 160 the average gallons per day of effluent reclaimed wate 161 which will no longer be discharged into surface reuse water 162 waters by vtility and the dates of such elimination; the 163 average gallons per day of surface water discharges which will 164 continue in accordance with the alternatives provided in 165 subparagraphs (a)2. and 3., and the (level of treatment) which the DOMESTIC GREY WATER 166 effluent, reclaimed water, or reuse water receive b being discharged into a surface water by each alternative and OLDSMAR COMPOTER HACKER! 167 OF WATER DEPARTMENT utility; the average gallons per day of effluent, reclaimed 168 LIABILITY FEBUARY ZOZI water, or reuse water which is proposed to continue to be 169 CITY of OLDSMAN discharged under paragraph (b) and the (level 170 of treatment which SULFURIC ACID DISCHARGE the effluent, reclaimed water, or reuse water will 171 receive OF OLDSMAN 172 before being discharged into a surface water by the utility; and any modified on new plans submitted by a utility since the last 173 ADHOL TO THE ADHOL 174 FEE (SIMPLE) This subsection does not apply to any of the following: 17 TITLE 17 domestic, wastewater treatment facility that is located FEE Simple Title onstrained county as described in s. 218.67(1). treatment facility that is loc 177 sca 178 A domestic wastewater located 179 in a municipality that is entirely within a rural area of 180 opportunity as designated pursuant to 288 0656 403,086(10)(C)(2)D) 54EAN 25 181 A domestic wastewater treatment facility that is located less than \$10 million in total 182 in a municipality that has 30% RESIDENTINE [pality's most recent annual 183 as determined by the munic, 184 report submitted to the Department of Financial financial 185 Services in accordance with s. (218.32.) 403,086(B)(A) 186 This subsection does not prohibit the inclusion of $(\dot{1})$ 19 plan for backup discharges)pursuant to s. 403.086 🚧 (a) 403,086 187 188 This subsection may not be deemed to-exemp a utility DEVICÉ 189 from requirements that prohibit) the causing of or contributing 19ď to violations of water quality standards) in surface waters, DEGRADATION including groundwater discharges that affect water quality in 19 CONTAINMENT 403.086(BXBX6X6) 192 surface waters. 193 (18) (a) (17) By December 31, 2020, the department shall initiate rule revisions based on the recommendations of the 194 SWF.M.D. EXEMPTS TESTING OF Potable Reuse Commission's, 2020 report "Advancing Potable Reuse in Florida: Framework for the Implementation of Potable Reuse in 195 196 Florida." Rules for potable reuse projects must address 197 contaminants of emerging concern and meet or exceed federal and 198 199 state drinking water quality standards and other applicable "MERCUR water quality standards (Reclaimed water is deemed a 200 water CITY OF OLDSMAR 0 SUFURIC ACID FEBRUARY 2021 1/30/2021, 12:02 PM 4 of 7

https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2021/64/BillText/Filed ... Firefox PRIVILEGE TT-K PRIVILECIE/ OPPENTUNITY (RES. 95.286 FACILITY 6-2 source for public water supply (systems) (b) The Legislature recognizes that Sufficient water supply is imperative to the future of this state and that potable reuse (05) 201 SUPPLY/ PLATE Spicial Act 1953 202 203 is a source of water which may assist in meeting future demand NUM EFFICIENT 204 for water supply. "Ass to Mouth" WATER Supply is imperative? HAMMM 205 NOT AMPLE The department may convene and lead one or more 206 technical advisory groups to coordinate the rulemaking and 207 IS SEDITION CLAIMED review of rules for potable reuse as required under this 208 AS KNOWLEGE? section. The technical advisory group, which shall assist 209 development of such ru BRITISH must be composed of knowledge 210 Commo, i WEALTH representatives of a broad group of (interested stakeholders 211 ENLIGNTENED JEWISH including, but not limited to, representatives from the wate 212 REPORTATIVES MERCIHARIES management districts, the wastewate utility industry, wat 213 the USUIZPATION! FINANCIAL the business utility industry, t.he community, 214 ENTITY PATE OF RETURN AGC PEGATE agricultura WATER SUPPLY munity, community, the the 215 AGOREGARTE - FEDERADISE Projen "64 community, and the consumers 216 - ANYTHING CLAPTURED 313,019/15 alternative water supply as defined 217 (d)Potable ANTIFICIAL euse projects are eligible for 373.019 and potable (153035) 218 Activity water supply funding. The use of potable reuse water (EMINENT DOMANT OF CONSUMER 219 water supply planning under s egional 220 may not be excluded from 709) Z(B) Z) 378, 212 (VARIANCES') & GUMMED WATCH 378,40 221 VAMANICES 222 (\in) The department and the water management districts shall develop and execute, by becember 31, 2013) a memorandum of Engineer Domain of Consumer 153,03(5) agreement providing for the procedural requirements of a 223 224 coordinated review of all permits associated with the (AT.M. 225 ASS-TO-MOUTH RECLAIMEN LUNTON 226 construction and operat on of an indirect potable reuse project. agreement must provide that the coordinated 227 The memorandum of VANAALE requested by a f 228 review will occur only BINGO. of the coordinated review is to share (information) avoid the 229 STATUTE STATUTE STITCHING 230 redundancy of informati on requested from the permittee, and ensure consistency in the permit for the protection of the 231 Corporate Profit And the environment of Livessment Schemes, 232 AIDING AND Aor A Unity Arread for potable 233 To encourage investment (in) the development ABETING reuse projects by privat ties, 234 enti a BOHDS 255.065-)is: 235 developed qualifying project pursuant to s. AQUISITIONS ; Beginning January 1, 2026, eligible for expedited 236 PORTHERS IN FRIME permitting under 3.973. 237 SHAPESHIFTIJA UTILITY TO FACILITY From 238 ANTIFICIAL Consistent with s. eligible for pr DESPOTIC as othe 239 the same manner alternative water supply fundingkin projects from the Drinking Water Stat Revolvin under the 240 Fund Protection and Sustainability Program Water and for water - LAND TO WATER 241 management district cooperative funding. 242 This subsection is not intended and may not be 243 (g) DIRECT AUMILABLE AS AN construed to supersede s. (373.250(3). 244 Section 2. Section 403.892, Florida Statutes, is created to PAYMENTS 245 303,707(8)(6) DRINKING read: 246 ives for the use of graywater technologies 247 As used in this section, the term: 248 DEATIN (1)DESPOTISM Rit. 249 "Developer" has the same meaning as in s. (380.031(2 GOVERHMENTITL RESIDENTIAL WASTE CATER Not INCLUSING TOILET And the same meaning as in s. 250 AGENCY Site Wat forter 381.0065 GREYWATER (DOES NOT IN QUDE DISCHADGE OF Not in QUDE DISCHADGE OF HOUSEHOLD TOILET 251 DA oF Land (Z)(D)reuse of water (in) this state, 252 1,21. To promote the beneficia BLACKLWATER (INCLUDES HOUSEHOLD TOILET county, municipality, or (spec shall: 253 al distric DOMESTIL SEWAGE MAT IS NOT BLACK LOATER MANNAE ON SITE SEWAGE DESPOTIC JATER 1/30/2021, 12:02 PM 5 of 7 JULISDICTON

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	254	(a) Authorize the use of (residential (graviater) technologies)
	255	in their respective jurisdictions, which meet the requirements of
	256	this section, the Florida Building Code, and applicable (malonerys Code)
	257	requirements of the Florida Department of Health and have
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	261	or homebuilder to fully offset the capital costs of the CARPETBAGGING ANNOAL SURVEILANCE CARPET, MALENES WATER CODE //13 technology and installation costs. (3) To qualify for the incentives, the developer or (3) To qualify for the incentives, the developer or
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	263	(3) To qualify for the incentives, the developer or
	264	(3) To qualify for the incentives, the developer or homebuilder must certify to the applicable government entity as part of (its applicated for development approval or amendment of a development order that all of the following conditions are WATER CODE
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	266	a development order that all of the following conditions are WATER CODE
	267	(a) The proposed or existing development has at least 25 single-family residential homes that are either detached or ANAUAL SURVEILAACE
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	269	single-family residential homes that are either detached or AAAAAAC
	270	multifamily projects over five stories in height
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	272	(b) Each single-family residential home or residence will
	273	have its own residential graywater system that is dedicated for
	274	(15) USE. DEVELOPER BONUSES PINGUES (USLICY (UNWARRANTED AS WANTED
	275	AN ENTITY (c) (C) has submitted a manufacturer's (warranty) or data Insependence
	276	providing reasonable assurance that the residential graywater
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	280	official, government entity, or research institute that has
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		proposed to be installed for such development shall be accepted ISAA ACT OF PIRACY Non-Sease as reasonable assurance and no further information or assurance
	283	as reasonable assurance and no further information or assurance
	284	is needed. (d) The remainter of the remainter of assurance FEE
	285	(d) The required maintenance of the graywater system will
	286	be the responsibility of the residential homeowner or
	287	manufacturer.
	288	(e) An operation and maintenance manual for the graywater
	289	system will be supplied to the initial homeowner of each home. Malougys Water The manual shall provide a method of contacting the installer or CODE 1:13
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	291	manufacturer and shall include directions to the residential
	292	homeowner that the manual shall remain with the residence
	293	throughout the life cycle of the System.
	294	(4) If the requirements of subsection (3) have been met, AGCAPECATE
	295	the county or municipality must include the incentives provided Defacto
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	297	for in subsection (2) when it approves the development or AHAUAL amendment of a development order) The approval must also provide for the process that the developer or homebuilder will follow to verify that such systems have been purchased. Froof of purchase
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		verify that such systems have been purchased. Proof of purchase
	300	must be provided within 180 days from the issuance of a
	301	certificate of occupancy for single-family residential homes
	302	that are eithed detached or multifamily projects under five stories FEE(Smgle) Title?, Emineral Donald 153,03(5) Ex Opport 134010 Aquine ABANDONES
	303	Stories. Property
	304	(5) The install tion of residential graywater systems in a
	305	county or municipality in accordance with this section shall
	306	qualify as a water conservation measure in a public water
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•	307	Utility's water conservation plan pursuant to's. 373.227. The PROPER RETAIL
	308	efficiency of such measures shall be commensurate with the EFFICIENT
	309	amount of potable water savings estimated for each system
	310	provided by the developer or nomebuilder pursuant to paragraph
	311	(3) (c).
	312	Section 3. To further promote the reuse of reclaimed water hereit of 3/3/2/()
	313	for irrigation purposes, the rules that apply when reclaimed Diserse 373.227 (6)
	314	water is injected into a receiving groundwater that has 1,000 to
	315	3,000 mg/L total dissolved solids are applicable to reclaimed
	316	water aquifer storage and recovery wells injecting into a Sulfuric Acip.
	317	receiving groundwater of less than 1,000 mg/L total dissolved
	318	solids if the applicant demonstrates that it is injecting into a
	319	confined aquifer, that there are no potable water supply wells
	320	within (3,500 feet) of the aquifer storage and recovery wells, and
	321	that it has implemented institutional controls to prevent the CUNSAFE TO future construction of potable water supply wells within 3,500 INJECT
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	323	feet of the aquifer storage and recovery wells. This section may
	324	not be construed to exempt the reclaimed water aquifer storage
	325	and recovery wells from requirements that prohibit the causing
	326	of or contribution to violations of water quality standards in FUMMY
	327	surface waters, including groundwater discharges that flow by
	328	interflow and affect water quality in surface waters.
	329	Section 4. The Legislature determines and declares that
	330	this act fulfills (an (mportant) state interest.)
	331	Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.
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Chapter 403 ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

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403.086 \rightarrow Sewage disposal facilities; advanced and secondary waste treatment.-

(1)(a) The Department of Health or any other state agency, county, special district, or municipality may not approve construction of any sewage disposal facilities which do not provide for secondary waste treatment and advanced waste treatment as deemed necessary and ordered by the department. AQUIFER

(b) Sewage disposal facilities constructed after June 14, 1978, may not dispose of any wastes by deep well injection) without providing for secondary waste treatment and advanced waste treatment deemed necessary by the department to protect adequately the beneficial use of the receiving waters. FUNHY !

(c) Notwithstanding this chapter or chapter 373, sewage disposal facilities may not dispose of any wastes into Old Tampa Bay, Tampa Bay, Hillsborough Bay, Boca Ciega Bay, St. Joseph Sound, Clearwater Bay, Sarasota Bay, Little Sarasota Bay, Roberts Bay, Lemon Bay, Charlotte Harbor Bay, or, beginning July 1, 2025, Indian River Lagoon, or into any river, stream, channel, canal, bay, bayou, sound, or other water tributary thereto, without providing advanced waste treatment, as defined in subsection (4), approved by the department. This paragraph does not apply to facilities which were permitted by February 1, 1987, and which discharge secondary treated effluent, followed by water hyacinth treatment, to tributaries of tributaries of the named waters; or to facilities permitted to discharge to the nontidally influenced portions of the Peace River.

(d) By December 31, 2020, the department, in consultation with the water management districts and sewage disposal facilities, shall submit to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives a progress report on the status of upgrades made by each facility to meet the advanced waste treatment requirements under paragraph (c). The report must include a list of sewage disposal facilities required to upgrade to advanced waste treatment, the preliminary cost estimates for the upgrades, and a projected timeline of the dates by which the upgrades will begin and be completed and the date by which operations of the upgraded facility will begin.

(2) All sewage disposal facilities shall provide for secondary waste treatment, a power outage contingency plan that mitigates the impacts of power outages on the utility's collection system and pump stations, and advanced waste treatment as deemed necessary and ordered by the Department of Environmental Protection. Failure to conform is punishable by a civil penalty of \$750 for each 24-hour day or fraction thereof that such failure is allowed to continue thereafter.

(3) This section shall not be construed to prohibit or regulate septic tanks or other means of individual waste disposal which are otherwise subject to state regulation.

(4) For purposes of this section, the term "advanced waste treatment" means that treatment which will provide a reclaimed water product that:

(a) Contains not more, on a permitted annual average basis, than the following concentrations:

1. Biochemical Oxygen Demand

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- . 1mg/l Total Phosphorus, expressed as P. 4.

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(b) Has received high level disinfection, as defined by rule of the department.

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In those waters where the concentrations of phosphorus have been shown not to be a limiting nutrient or a contaminant, the department may waive or alter the compliance levels for phosphorus until there is a demonstration that phosphorus is a limiting nutrient or a contaminant.

(5)(a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter or chapter 373, when a reclaimed water product has been established to be in compliance with the standards set forth in subsection (4), that water shall be presumed to be allowable, and its discharge shall be permitted in the waters described in paragraph (1)(c) at a reasonably accessible point where such discharge results in minimal negative impact. This presumption may be overcome only by a demonstration that one or more of the following would occur:

1. That the discharge of reclaimed water that meets the standards set forth in subsection (4) will be, by itself, a cause of considerable degradation to an Outstanding Florida Water or to other waters and is not clearly in the public interest.

2. That the reclaimed water discharge will have a substantial negative impact on an approved shellfish harvesting area or a water used as a public domestic water supply.

3. That the increased volume of fresh water contributed by the reclaimed water product will seriously alter the natural fresh-salt water balance of the receiving water after reasonable opportunity for mixing. Oxide a decided and a decided and a decided a decided and a decided and a decided a dec

(b) If one or more of the conditions described in subparagraphs (a)1.-3. have been demonstrated, remedies may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Require more stringent effluent limitations;
- 2. Order the point or method of discharge changed;
- 3. Limit the duration or volume of the discharge; or
- 4. Prohibit the discharge only if no other alternative is in the public interest.

(6) Any facility covered in paragraph (1)(c) shall be permitted to discharge if it meets the standards set forth in subsections (4) and (5). All of the facilities covered in paragraph (1)(c) shall be required to meet the standards set forth in subsections (4) and (5).

(7) All sewage disposal facilities under subsection (2) which control a collection or transmission system of pipes and pumps to collect and transmit wastewater from domestic or industrial sources to the facility shall take steps to prevent sanitary sewer overflows or underground pipe leaks and ensure that collected wastewater reaches the facility for appropriate treatment. Facilities must use inflow and infiltration studies and leakage surveys to develop pipe assessment, repair, and replacement action plans with a 5-year planning horizon that comply with department rule to limit, reduce, and eliminate leaks (seepages) or inputs into wastewater treatment systems' underground pipes. The pipe assessment, repair, and replacement action plans must be reported to the department. The facility action plans must include information regarding the annual expenditures dedicated to the inflow and infiltration studies and the required replacement action plans; expenditures that are dedicated to pipe assessment, repair, and replacement; and expenditures designed to limit the presence of fats, roots, oils, and grease in the facility's collection system. The department shall adopt rules regarding the implementation of inflow and infiltration studies and leakage surveys; however, such rules may not fix or revise utility rates or budgets. A utility or an operating entity subject to this subsection and s. <u>403.061</u>(14) may submit one report to comply with both requirements. Substantial compliance with this subsection is evidence in mitigation for the purposes of assessing penalties pursuant to ss. <u>403.121</u> and <u>403.141</u>.

(8)(a) The department shall allow backup discharges pursuant to permit only. The backup discharge shall be limited to 30 percent of the permitted (euse capacity) on an annual basis. For purposes of this subsection, a "backup discharge" is a surface water discharge that occurs as part of a functioning reuse system which has been permitted under department rules and which provides reclaimed water for irrigation of public access areas, residential properties, or edible food crops, or for industrial cooling or other acceptable reuse purposes.
Backup discharges may occur during periods of reduced demand for reclaimed water in the reuse system.
(b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter or chapter 373, backup discharges of reclaimed

water meeting the standards as set forth in subsection (4) shall be presumed to be allowable and shall be permitted in all waters in the state at a reasonably accessible point where such discharge results in minimal negative impact. Wet weather discharges as provided in s. 2(3)(c), chapter 90-262, Laws of Florida, shall include backup discharges as provided in this section. The presumption of the allowability of a backup discharge may be overcome only by a demonstration that one or more of the following conditions is present:

1. The discharge will be to an Outstanding Florida Water, except as provided in chapter 90-262, Laws of Florida;

2. The discharge will be to Class I or Class II waters;

3. The increased volume of fresh water contributed by a backup discharge will seriously alter the natural freshwater to saltwater balance of receiving waters after reasonable opportunity for mixing:

4. The discharge will be to a water body having a pollutant load reduction goal established by a water management district or the department, and the discharge will cause or <u>contribute</u> or <u>violation</u> of the established goal;

5. The discharge fails to meet the requirements of the antidegradation policy contained in department rules; or

6. The discharge will be to waters that the department determines require more stringent nutrient limits than those set forth in subsection (4).

(c) Any backup discharge shall be subject to the provisions of the antidegradation policy contained in department rules.

(d) If one or more of the conditions described in paragraph (b) have been demonstrated, a backup discharge may still be allowed in conjunction with one or more of the remedies provided in paragraph (5)(b) or other suitable measures.

(e) The department shall(allow lower levels of treatment of reclaimed water if the applicant affirmatively demonstrates that water quality standards will be met during periods of backup discharge and if all other requirements of this subsection are met.

(9) The department may require <u>backflow prevention</u> devices on potable water lines within reclaimed water service areas to protect public health and safety. The department shall establish rules that determine when backflow prevention devices on potable water lines are necessary and when such devices are not necessary.

(10) The Legislature finds that the discharge of domestic wastewater through ocean outfalls wastes valuable, water supplies that should be reclaimed for beneficial purposes to meet public and natural systems demands. The Legislature also finds that discharge of domestic wastewater through ocean outfalls compromises the coastal environment, quality of life, and local economies that depend on those resources. The Legislature declares that more stringent treatment and management requirements for such domestic wastewater discharge are in the public interest.

(a) The construction of new ocean outfalls for domestic wastewater discharge and the expansion of existing ocean outfalls for this purpose, along with associated pumping and piping systems, are prohibited. Each domestic wastewater ocean outfall shall be limited to the discharge capacity specified in the department permit authorizing the outfall in effect on July 1, 2008, which discharge capacity shall not be increased. Maintenance of existing, department-authorized domestic wastewater ocean outfalls and associated pumping and piping systems is allowed, subject to the requirements of this section. The department is directed to work with the United States Environmental Protection Agency to ensure that the requirements of this subsection are implemented consistently for all domestic wastewater facilities in the state which discharge through ocean outfalls.

(b) The discharge of domestic wastewater through ocean outfalls must meet advanced wastewater treatment and management requirements by December 31, 2018. For purposes of this subsection, the term "advanced wastewater treatment and management requirements" means the advanced waste treatment requirements set forth in subsection (4), a reduction in outfall baseline loadings of total nitrogen and total

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phosphorus which is equivalent to that which would be achieved by the advanced waste treatment requirements in subsection (4), or a reduction in cumulative outfall loadings of total nitrogen and total phosphorus occurring between December 31, 2008, and December 31, 2025, which is equivalent to that which would be achieved if the advanced waste treatment requirements in subsection (4) were fully implemented beginning December 31, 2018, and continued through December 31, 2025. The department shall establish the average baseline loadings of total nitrogen and total phosphorus for each outfall using monitoring data available for calendar years 2003 through 2007 and establish required loading reductions based on this baseline. The baseline loadings and required loading reductions of total nitrogen and total phosphorus shall be expressed as an average annual daily loading value. The advanced wastewater treatment and management requirements of this paragraph are deemed met for any domestic wastewater facility discharging through an ocean outfall on July 1, 2008, which has installed by December 31, 2018, a fully operational reuse system comprising 100 percent of the facility's baseline flow on an annual basis for reuse activities authorized by the department.

(c)1. Each utility that had a permit for a domestic wastewater facility that discharged through an ocean outfall on July 1, 2008, must install, or cause to be installed, a functioning reuse system within the utility's service area or, by contract with another utility, within Miami-Dade County, Broward County, or Palm Beach County by December 31, 2025. For purposes of this subsection, a "functioning reuse system" means an environmentally, economically, and technically feasible system that provides a minimum of 60 percent of a facility's baseline flow on an annual basis for irrigation of public access areas, residential properties, or agricultural crops; aquifer recharge; groundwater recharge; industrial cooling; or other acceptable reuse purposes authorized by the department. For purposes of this subsection, the term "baseline flow" means the annual average flow of domestic wastewater discharging through the facility's ocean outfall, as determined by the department, using monitoring data available for calendar years 2003 through 2007.

2. Flows diverted from facilities to other facilities that provide 00 percent reuse of the diverted flows before December 31, 2025, are considered to contribute to meeting the reuse requirement. For utilities operating more than one outfall, the reuse requirement may be apportioned between the facilities served by the outfalls, including flows diverted to other facilities for 100 percent reuse before December 31, 2025. Utilities that shared a common ocean outfall for the discharge of domestic wastewater on July 1, 2008, regardless of which utility operates the ocean outfall, are individually responsible for meeting the reuse requirement and may enter into binding agreements to share or transfer such responsibility among the utilities. If treatment in addition to the advanced wastewater treatment and management requirements described in paragraph (b) is needed to support a functioning reuse system, the treatment must be fully operational by December 31, 2025.

3. If a facility that discharges through an ocean outfall contracts with another utility to install a functioning reuse system, the department must approve any apportionment of the reuse generated from the new or expanded reuse system that is intended to satisfy all or a portion of the reuse requirements pursuant to subparagraph 1. If a contract is between two utilities that have reuse requirements pursuant to subparagraph 1., the reuse apportioned to each utility's requirement may not exceed the total reuse generated by the new or expanded reuse system. A utility shall provide the department a copy of any contract with another utility that reflects an agreement between the utilities which is subject to the requirements of this subparagraph.

(d) The discharge of domestic wastewater through ocean outfalls is prohibited after December 31, 2025, except as a backup discharge that is part of a functioning reuse system or other wastewater management system authorized by the department. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a backup discharge may occur only during periods of reduced demand for reclaimed water in the reuse system, such as periods of wet weather, or as the result of peak flows from other wastewater management systems, and must comply with the advanced wastewater treatment and management requirements of paragraph (b). Peak flow backup discharges from other wastewater management systems may not cumulatively exceed 5 percent of a facility's baseline flow, measured as a 5-year rolling average, and are subject to applicable secondary waste treatment and water-quality-based effluent limitations specified in department rules. If peak flow backup discharges are in

compliance with the effluent limitations, the discharges are deemed to meet the advanced wastewater treatment and management requirements of this subsection.

(e) The holder of a department permit authorizing the discharge of domestic wastewater through an ocean outfall as of July 1, 2008, shall submit the following to the secretary of the department:

1. A detailed plan to meet the requirements of this subsection, including the identification of the technical, environmental, and economic feasibility of various reuse options; the identification of each and acquisition and facility necessary to provide for reuse of the domestic wastewater; an analysis of the costs to meet the requirements, including the level of treatment necessary to satisfy state water quality requirements and local water quality considerations and a cost comparison of reuse using flows from ocean outfalls and flows from other domestic wastewater sources; and a financing plan for meeting the requirements, including identifying any actions necessary to implement the financing plan, such as bond issuance or other borrowing, assessments, rate increases, fees, other charges, or other financing mechanisms. The plan must evaluate reuse demand in the context of future regional water supplies, the degree to which various reuse options offset potable water supplies, and other factors considered in the Lower East Coast Regional Water Supply Plan of the South Florida Water Management District. The plan must include a detailed schedule for the completion of all necessary actions and be accompanied by supporting data and other documentation. The plan must be submitted by July 1, 2013.

2. By July 1, 2016, an update of the plan required in subparagraph 1. documenting any refinements or changes in the costs, actions, or financing necessary to eliminate the ocean outfall discharge in accordance with this subsection or a written statement that the plan is current and accurate.

(f) By December 31, 2009, and by December 31 every 5 years thereafter, the holder of a department permit authorizing the discharge of domestic wastewater through an ocean outfall shall submit to the secretary of the department a report summarizing the actions accomplished to date and the actions remaining and proposed to meet the requirements of this subsection, including progress toward meeting the specific deadlines set forth in paragraphs (b) through (e). The report shall include the detailed schedule for and status of the evaluation of reuse and disposal options, preparation of preliminary design reports, preparation and submittal of permit applications, construction initiation, construction progress milestones, construction completion, initiation of operation, and continuing operation and maintenance.

(g) By July 1, 2010, and by July 1 every 5 years thereafter, the department shall submit a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on the implementation of this subsection. In the report, the department shall summarize progress to date, including the increased amount of reclaimed water provided and potable water offsets achieved, and identify any obstacles to continued progress, including all instances of substantial noncompliance.

(h) The renewal of each permit that authorizes the discharge of domestic wastewater through an ocean outfall as of July 1, 2008, must be accompanied by an order in accordance with s. 403.088(2)(e) and (f) which establishes an enforceable compliance schedule consistent with the requirements of this subsection.

(i) An entity that diverts wastewater flow from a receiving facility that discharges domestic wastewater through an ocean outfall must meet the reuse requirement of paragraph (c). Reuse by the diverting entity of the diverted flows shall be credited to the diverting entity. The diverted flow shall also be correspondingly deducted from the receiving facility's baseline flow from which the required reuse is calculated pursuant to paragraph (c), and the receiving facility's reuse requirement shall be recalculated accordingly.

The department, the South Florida Water Management District, and the affected utilities must consider the information in the detailed plan in paragraph (e) for the purpose of adjusting, as necessary, the reuse requirements of this subsection. The department shall submit a report to the Legislature by February 15, 2015, containing recommendations for any changes necessary to the requirements of this subsection.

(11) The Legislature finds that the discharge of inadequately treated and managed domestic wastewater

from dozens of small wastewater facilities and thousands of septic tanks and other onsite systems in the Florida Keys compromises the quality of the coastal environment, including nearshore and offshore waters, and threatens the quality of life and local economies that depend on those resources. The Legislature also finds that the only practical and cost-effective way to fundamentally improve wastewater management in the Florida Keys is for the local governments in Monroe County, including those special districts established for the purpose of collection, transmission, treatment, or disposal of sewage, to timely complete the wastewater or sewage treatment and disposal facilities initiated under the work program of Administration Commission rule 28-20, Florida Administrative Code, and the Monroe County Sanitary Master Wastewater Plan, dated June 2000. The Legislature therefore declares that the construction and operation of comprehensive central wastewater systems in accordance with this subsection is in the public interest. To give effect to those findings, the requirements of this subsection apply to all domestic wastewater facilities in Monroe County, (including privately LINE ZSS owned facilities, unless otherwise provided under this subsection OF SBLOA

The discharge of domestic wastewater into surface waters is prohibited. (a)

Monroe County each municipality, and those special districts established for the purpose of collection. (b) transmission, treatment, or disposal of sewage in Monroe County shall complete the wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal facilities within its jurisdiction designated as hot spots in the Monroe County Sanitary Master Wastewater Plan, dated June 2000, specifically listed in Exhibits 6-1 through 6-3 of Chapter 6 of the plan and mapped in Exhibit F-1 of Appendix F of the plan. The required facilities and connections, and any additional facilities or other adjustments required by rules adopted by the Administration Commission under s. 380.0552, must be completed by December 31, 2015, pursuant to specific schedules established by the commission. Domestic wastewater facilities located outside local government and special district service areas must meet the treatment and disposal requirements of this subsection by December 31, 2015.

(c) After December 31, 2015, all new or expanded domestic wastewater discharges must comply with the treatment and disposal requirements of this subsection and department rules. NOTSAHITIZED

Wastewater treatment facilities having design capacities: (d)

Greater than or equal to 100,000 gallons per day must provide basic disinfection as defined by 1. department rule and the level of treatment which, on a permitted annual average basis, produces an effluent that contains no more than the following concentrations:

- а. Biochemical Oxygen Demand (CBOD5) of 5 mg/l.
- Suspended Solids of 5 mg/l. b.
- Total Nitrogen, expressed as N, of 3 mg/l. с.
- d. Total Phosphorus, expressed as P, of 1 mg/l.

Less than 100,000 gallons per day must provide basic disinfection as defined by department rule and the 2. level of treatment which, on a permitted annual average basis, produces an effluent that contains no more than the following concentrations:

- Biochemical Oxygen Demand (CBOD5) of 10 mg/l. а.
- Suspended Solids of 10 mg/l. b.
- Total Nitrogen, expressed as N, of 10 mg/l. с.
- Total Phosphorus, expressed as P, of 1 mg/l. d.

Class V injection wells, as defined by department or Department of Health rule, must meet the (e) following requirements and otherwise comply with department or Department of Health rules, as applicable:

If the design capacity of the facility is less than 1 million gallons per day, the injection well must be at 1. least 90 feet deep and cased to a minimum depth of 60 feet or to such greater cased depth and total well depth as may be required by department rule.

2. Except as provided in subparagraph 3. for backup wells, if the design capacity of the facility is equal to or greater than 1 million gallons per day, each primary injection well must be cased to a minimum depth of 2,000 feet or to such greater depth as may be required by department rule.

If an injection well is used as a backup to a primary injection well, the following conditions apply: 3

a. The backup well may be used only when the primary injection well is out of service because of equipment failure, power failure, or the need for mechanical integrity testing or repair;

b. The backup well may not be used for more than a total of 500 hours during any 5-year period unless specifically authorized in writing by the department;

c. The backup well must be at least 90 feet deep and cased to a minimum depth of 60 feet, or to such greater cased depth and total well depth as may be required by department rule; and

d. Fluid injected into the backup well must meet the requirements of paragraph (d).

(f) The requirements of paragraphs (d) and (e) do not apply to:

1. Class I injection wells as defined by department rule, including any authorized mechanical integrity tests;

2. Authorized mechanical integrity tests associated with Class V wells as defined by department rule; or

3. The following types of reuse systems authorized by department rule:

a. Slow-rate land application systems;

b. Industrial uses of reclaimed water; and

c. Use of reclaimed water for toilet flushing, fire protection, vehicle washing, construction dust control, and decorative water features.

However, disposal systems serving as backups to reuse systems must comply with the other provisions of this subsection.

(g) For wastewater treatment facilities in operation as of July 1, 2010, which are located within areas to be served by Monroe County, municipalities in Monroe County, or those special districts established for the purpose of collection, transmission, treatment, or disposal of sewage but which are owned by other entities, the requirements of paragraphs (d) and (e) do not apply until January 1, 2016. Wastewater operating permits issued pursuant to this chapter and in effect for these facilities as of June 30, 2010, are extended until December 31, 2015, or until the facility is connected to a local government central wastewater system, whichever occurs first. Wastewater treatment facilities in operation after December 31, 2015, must comply with the treatment and disposal requirements of this subsection and department rules.

(h) If it is demonstrated that a discharge, even if the discharge is otherwise in compliance with this subsection, will cause or contribute to a violation of state water quality standards, the department shall:

1. Require more stringent effluent limitations;

2. Order the point or method of discharge changed;

3. Limit the duration or volume of the discharge; or

4. Prohibit the discharge.

(i) All sewage treatment facilities must monitor effluent for total nitrogen and total phosphorus concentration as required by department rule.

(j) The department shall require the levels of operator certification and staffing necessary to ensure proper operation and maintenance of sewage facilities.

(k) The department may adopt rules necessary to carry out this subsection.

(l) The authority of a local government, including a special district, to mandate connection of a wastewater facility, as defined by department rule, is governed by s. 4, chapter 99-395, Laws of Florida.

History. -ss. 1, 2, 3, ch. 71-259; s. 2, ch. 71-137; s. 1, ch. 72-58; s. 271, ch. 77-147; s. 1, ch. 78-206; s. 75, ch. 79-65; s. 1, ch. 80-371; s. 1, ch. 81-246; s. 262, ch. 81-259; s. 2, ch. 86-173; s. 1, ch. 87-303; s. 71, ch. 93-213; s. 2, ch. 94-153; s. 361, ch. 94-356; s. 158, ch. 99-8; s. 25, ch. 2000-153; s. 12, ch. 2000-211; s. 6, ch. 2008-232; s. 38, ch. 2010-205; s. 73, ch. 2013-15; s. 1, ch. 2013-31; s. 17, ch. 2020-150; s. 16, ch. 2020-158.

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403.064 Reuse of reclaimed water.-

RECLAIMED WARDLIS A PRIVILEGE

(1) The encouragement and promotion of water conservation, and reuse of reclaimed water, as defined by the department, are state objectives and are considered to be in the public interest. The Legislature finds that the reuse of reclaimed water is a <u>critical</u> component of meeting the state's existing and future water <u>supply</u> needs while sustaining natural systems. The Legislature further finds that for those wastewater treatment plants permitted and operated under an approved reuse program by the department the reclaimed water shall be considered environmentally acceptable and not a threat to public health and safety. The Legislature encourages the development of incentive based programs for reuse implementation.

(2) All applicants for permits to construct or operate a domestic wastewater treatment facility located within, serving a population located within, or discharging within a water resource caution area shall prepare a reuse feasibility study as part of their application for the permit. Reuse feasibility studies shall be prepared in accordance with department guidelines adopted by rule and shall include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Evaluation of monetary costs and benefits for several levels and types of reuse.
- (b) Evaluation of water savings if reuse is implemented.
- (c) Evaluation of rates and fees necessary to implement reuse.
- (d) Evaluation of environmental and water resource benefits associated with reuse.
- (e) Evaluation of economic, environmental, and technical constraints.
- (f) A schedule for implementation of reuse. The schedule shall consider phased implementation.

(3) The permit applicant shall prepare a plan of study for the reuse feasibility study consistent with the reuse feasibility study guidelines adopted by department rule. The plan of study shall include detailed descriptions of applicable treatment and water supply alternatives to be evaluated and the methods of analysis to be used. The plan of study shall be submitted to the department for review and approval.

(4) The study required under subsection (2) shall be performed by the applicant, and, if the study shows that the reuse is feasible, the applicant must give significant consideration to its implementation if the study complies with the requirements of subsections (2) and (3).

(5) A reuse feasibility study is not required if:

(a) The domestic wastewater treatment facility has an existing or proposed permitted or design capacity less than 0.1 million gallons per day; or

(b) The permitted reuse capacity equals or exceeds the total permitted capacity of the domestic wastewater treatment facility.

(6) A reuse feasibility study prepared under subsection (2) satisfies a water management district requirement to county conduct a reuse feasibility study imposed on a local government or utility that has responsibility for wastewater management. The data included in the study and the conclusions of the study must be given significant consideration by the applicant and the appropriate water management district in an analysis of the economic, environmental, and her supply of providing reclaimed water for reuse under part II of chapter 373 and must be presumed relevant to the determination of feasibility. A water management district may not require a separate study when a

reuse feasibility study has been completed under subsection (2) Local governments may allow the use of reclaimed water for inside activities including, but not limited to, toilet flushing, fire protection, and decorative water features, as well as for outdoor uses, provided the reclaimed water is from domestic wastewater treatment facilities which are permitted, constructed, and operated in accordance with Chapter 403 Section 064 - 2017 Florida Statutes - The Florida ...

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department rules.

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(8) Permits issued by the department for domestic wastewater treatment facilities shall be consistent with requirements for reuse included in applicable consumptive use permits issued by the water management district, if such requirements are consistent with department rules governing reuse of reclaimed water. This subsection applies only to domestic wastewater treatment facilities which are located within, or serve a population located within, or discharge within water resource caution areas and are owned, operated, or controlled by a local government or utility which has responsibility for water supply and wastewater management.

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(9) Local governments may and are encouraged to implement programs for the reuse of reclaimed water Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit or preempt such local reuse programs. WHAT ABOUT A BETTER IDEA (Device Programs)

(10) A local government that implements a reuse program under this section shall be allowed to allocate the costs in a reasonable manner.

(11) Pursuant to chapter 367, the Florida Public Service Commission shall allow entities under/its jurisdiction which conduct studies or implement reuse projects, including, but not limited to, any study required by subsection (2) or facilities used for reliability purposes for a reclaimed water reuse system, to recover the full prudently incurred cost of such studies and facilities through their safe structure.

(12) In issuing consumptive use permits, the permitting agency shall consider the local reuse program.

(13) A local government shall require a developer as a condition for obtaining a development order, to comply with the local reuse program.

(14) After conducting a feasibility study under subsection (2), domestic wastewater treatment facilities that dispose of effluent by Class I deep well injection, as defined in 40 C.F.R. s. 144.6(a), must implement reuse to the degree that reuse is feasible, based upon the applicant's reuse feasibility study. Applicable permits issued by the department shall be consistent with the requirements of this subsection.

(b) This subsection applies only to domestic wastewater treatment facilities located within, serving a population located within, or discharging within a water resource caution area)

(15) After conducting a feasibility study under subsection (2), domestic wastewater treatment facilities that dispose of effluent by surface water discharges or by land application methods must implement reuse to the degree that reuse is feasible, based upon the applicant's reuse feasibility study. This subsection does not apply to surface water discharges or land application systems which are currently categorized as reuse under department rules. Applicable permits issued by the department shall be consistent with the requirements of this subsection.

(a) This subsection does not limit the use of a surface water discharge or land application facility as backup for a reclaimed water reuse system. Not UNLIMITED AS ORIGINALLY FORETOLD

(b) This subsection applies only to domestic wastewater treatment facilities located within, serving a population located within, or discharging within a water resource (caution area.)

(16) Utilities implementing reuse projects are encouraged, except in the case of use by electric utilities as defined in s. <u>366.02(2)</u>, termeter use of reclaimed water by all end users and to charge for the use of reclaimed water based on the actual volume used when such metering and charges can be shown to encourage water conservation. Metering and the use of volume-based rates are effective water management tools for the following reuse activities: residential irrigation, agricultural irrigation, industrial uses, landscape irrigation, irrigation of other public access areas, commercial and institutional uses such at toilet flushing and transfers to other reclaimed water utilities. Beginning with the submittal due on January 1, 2005, each domestic wastewater utility that provides reclaimed water for the reuse activities listed in this section shall include a summary of its metering and rate structure as part of its annual reuse report to the department.

History. -- s. 7, ch. 89-324; s. 3, ch. 94-243; s. 8, ch. 95-323; s. 37, ch. 2002-296; s. 13, ch. 2004-381.

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¹381.0065 Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; regulation.-

(1) LEGISLATIVE INTENT .--

(a) It is the intent of the Legislature that proper management of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems is paramount to the health, safety, and welfare of the public, PUBLIC YM DARD

(b) It is the intent of the Legislature that where a publicly owned or investor-owned sewerage) system is not available, the department shall issue permits for the construction, installation, modification, abandonment, or repair of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems under conditions as described in this section and rules adopted under this section. It is further the intent of the Legislature that the installation and use of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems not adversely affect the public health or significantly degrade the -PUBLIC/ CONPORATE

groundwater or surface water.)

 $\frac{4}{2}$ DEFINITIONS.—As used in ss. 381.0065-381.0067, the term:

(a) "Available," as applied to a publicly owned or investor-owned sewerage system) means that the publicly owned or investor-owned sewerage system

is not under a Department of Environmental Protection moratorium, and has adequate permitted capacity to accept the sewage to be generated by the establishment or residence; and:

1. For a residential subdivision lot, a single-family residence, or an establishment, any of which has an estimated sewage flow of 1,000 gallons per day or less, a gravity sewer line to maintain gravity flow from the property's drain to the sewer line, or a low pressure or vacuum sewage collection line in those areas approved for low pressure or vacuum sewage collection, exists in a public easement or right-of-way that abuts the property line of the lot, residence, or establishment.

2. For an establishment with an estimated sewage flow exceeding 1,000 gallons per day, a sewer line, force main, or lift station exists in a public easement or right-of-way that abuts the property of the establishment or is within 50 feet of the property line of the establishment as accessed via existing rights-of-way or easements.

3. For proposed residential subdivisions with more than 50 lots, for proposed commercial subdivisions with more than 5 lots, and for areas zoned or used for an industrial or manufacturing purpose or its equivalent, a sewerage system exists within one-fourth mile of the development as measured and accessed via existing easements or rights-of-way.

4. For repairs or modifications within areas zoned or used for an industrial or manufacturing purpose or its equivalent, a sewerage system exists within 500 feet of an establishment's or residence's sewer stub-out as measured and accessed via existing rights-of-way or easements. > 1/ADJANCE

(b) "Bedroom" means a room that can be used for sleeping and that:

For site-built dwellings, has a minimum of 70 square feet of conditioned space; а.

For manufactured homes, is constructed according to the standards of the United States Department of b. Housing and Urban Development and has a minimum of 50 square feet of floor area;

c. Is located along an exterior wall;

d. Has a closet and a door or an entrance where a door could be reasonably installed; and

Has an emergency means of escape and rescue opening to the outside in accordance with the Florida e.

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closet. 3.) "Bedroom" does not include a hallway, bathroom, kitchen, living room, family room, dining room, den,

breakfast nook, pantry, laundry room, sunroom, recreation room, media/video room, or exercise room.

(Blackwater) means that part of domestic sewage carried off by toilets) urinals, and kitchen drains. √ (c)

 \checkmark (d) (Difference of the sewage) means human body waste and wastewater, including bath and toilet waste,

residential laundry waste, residential kitchen waste, and other similar waste from appurtenances at a residence or establishment.

 $\sqrt{(e)}$ ("Graywater") means that part of domestic sewage that is not blackwater, including waste from the bath, lavatory, laundry, and sink, except kitchen sink waste.

"Florida Keys" means those islands of the state located within the boundaries of Monroe County. (f)

"Injection well" means an open vertical hole at least 90 feet in depth, cased and grouted to at least 60 (g)

feet in depth which is used to dispose of effluent from an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system. (h) "Innovative system" means an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system that, in whole or in part,

employs materials, devices, or techniques that are novel or unique and that have not been successfully field tested under sound scientific and engineering principles under climatic and soil conditions found in this state.

(i) "Lot" means a parcel or tract of land described by reference to recorded plats or by metes and bounds, or the least fractional part of subdivided lands having limited fixed boundaries or an assigned number, letter, or INIECTION OF any other legal description by which it can be identified.

"Mean annual flood line" means the elevation determined by calculating the arithmetic mean of the into . (j) elevations of the highest yearly flood stage or discharge for the period of record, to include at least the most recent 10-year period. If at least 10 years of data is not available, the mean annual flood line shall be as determined based upon the data available and field verification conducted by a certified professional surveyor and mapper with experience in the determination of flood water elevation lines or, at the option of the applicant, by department personnel. Field verification of the mean annual flood line shall be performed using a combination of those indicators listed in subparagraphs 1.-7. that are present on the site, and that reflect flooding that recurs on an annual basis. In those situations where any one or more of these indicators reflect a rare or aberrant event, such indicator or indicators shall not be utilized in determining the mean annual flood line. The indicators that may be considered are:

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- 1. Water stains on the ground surface, trees, and other fixed objects;
- 2. Hydric adventitious roots;
- 3. Drift lines;
- 4. Rafted debris;
- Aquatic mosses and liverworts; 5.
- Moss collars; and 6.
- Lichen lines. 7.

"Onsite sewage treatment and disposal system" means a system that contains a standard subsurface, (k) filled, or mound drainfield system; an aerobic treatment unit a graywater system tank; a laundry wastewater system tank; a septic tank; a grease interceptor; a pump tank; a solids or effluent pump a waterless incinerating br organic waste-composting toilet; or a sanitary pit privy that is installed or proposed to be

installed beyond the building sewer on land of the owner or on other land to which the owner has the legal right to install a system. The term includes any item placed within, or intended to be used as a part of or in conjunction with, the system. This term does not include package sewage treatment facilities and other treatment works regulated under chapter 403.

"Permanent nontidal surface water body" means a perennial stream, a perennial river, an intermittent stream, a perennial lake, a submerged marsh or swamp, a submerged wooded marsh or swamp, a spring, or a seep, as identified on the most recent quadrangle map, 7.5 minute series (topographic), produced by the

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United States Geological Survey, or products derived from that series. "Permanent nontidal surface water body" shall also mean an artificial surface water body that does not have an impermeable bottom and side and that is designed to hold or does hold, visible standing water for at least 180 days of the year. However, a nontidal surface water body that is drained, either naturally or artificially, where the intent or the result is that such drainage be temporary, shall be considered a permanent nontidal surface water body. A nontidal surface water body that is drained of all visible surface water, where the lawful intent or the result of such drainage is that such drainage will be permanent, shall not be considered a permanent nontidal surface water body. The boundary of a permanent nontidal surface water body shall be the mean annual flood line.

" means any water line that is connected to a potable water supply source, but the (m) term

1. For irrigation systems into which chemicals are not injected, any atmospheric or pressure vacuum breaker or double check valve or any detector check assembly.

For irrigation systems into which chemicals such as fertilizers, pesticides, or herbicides are injected, any reduced pressure backflow preventer.

"Septage" means a mixture of sludge, fatty materials, human feces, and wastewater removed during (n) the pumping of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.

"Subdivision" means, for residential use, any tract or plot of land divided into two or more lots or **(0)** parcels of which at least one is 1 acre or less in size for sale, lease, or rent. A subdivision for commercial or industrial use is any tract or plot of land divided into two or more lots or parcels of which at least one is 5 acres or less in size and which is for sale, lease, or rent. A subdivision shall be deemed to be proposed until such time as an application is submitted to the local government for subdivision approval or, in those areas where no local government subdivision approval is required, until such time as a plat of the subdivision is recorded.

"Tidally influenced surface water body" means a body of water that is subject to the ebb and flow of (p) the tides and has as its boundary a mean high-water line as defined by s. 177.27(15).

"Toxic or hazardous chemical" means a substance that poses a serious danger to human health or the (a) environment.

 \leq (3) DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.—The department shall:

(a) Adopt rules to administer ss. 381.0065-381.0067, including definitions that are consistent with the definitions in this section, decreases to setback requirements where no health hazard exists, increases for the lot-flow allowance for performance-based systems, requirements for separation from water table elevation during the wettest season, requirements for the design and construction of any component part of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system, application and permit requirements for persons who maintain an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system, requirements for maintenance and service agreement aerobic

units and performance-based treatment systems, and recommended standards, inclucing disclosure requirements, for voluntary system inspections to be performed by individuals who are authorized by law to perform such inspections and who shall inform a person having ownership, control, or use of an onsite sewage LEGISLATION treatment and disposal system of the inspection standards and of that person's authority to request an MALONEYS WATER CODE POBLISHED SECTION 1113 "AHNOR INSPECTION CHARGE" TATC inspection based on all or part of the standards.

(b) Perform application reviews and site evaluations, issue permits, and conduct inspections and complaint investigations associated with the construction, installation, maintenance, modification, abandonment, operation, use, or repair of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system for a residence or establishment with an estimated domestic sewage flow of 10,000 gallons or less per day, or an estimated commercial sewage flow of 5,000 gallons or less per day, which is not currently regulated under chapter 403.

(c) Develop a comprehensive program to ensure that onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems regulated by the department are sized, designed, constructed, installed, repaired, modified, abandoned, use a, operated, and maintained in compliance with this section and rules adopted under this section to prevent

groundwater contamination and surface water contamination and to preserve the public health. The department is the final administrative interpretive authority regarding rule interpretation. In the event of a SET US UP

conflict regarding rule interpretation, the State Surgeon General, or his or her designee, shall timely assign a staff person to resolve the dispute.

(d) Grant variances in hardship cases under the conditions prescribed in this section and rules adopted under this section.

(e) Permit the use of a limited number of innovative systems for a specific period of time, when there is compelling evidence that the system will function properly and reliably to meet the requirements of this section and rules adopted under this section. CARPET BAGGING (UE GOT SET-OP)

(f) Issue annual operating permits under this section.

(g) Establish and collect fees as established under s. 381.0066 for services provided with respect to onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems.

(h) Conduct enforcement activities, including imposing fines, issuing citations, suspensions, revocations, injunctions, and emergency orders for violations of this section, part I of chapter 386, or part III of chapter 489 or for a violation of any rule adopted under this section, part I of chapter 386, or part III of chapter 489.

(i) Provide or conduct education and training of department personnel, service providers, and the public regarding onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems.

(j) Supervise research on, demonstration of, and training on the performance, environmental impact, and public health impact of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems within this state. Research fees collected under s <u>381.0066(2)(k)</u> must be used to develop and fund hands-on training centers designed to provide practical information about onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems to septic tank contractors, master septic tank contractors, contractors, inspectors, engineers, and the public and must also be used to fund research projects which focus on improvements of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, including use of performance-based standards and reduction of environmental impact. Research projects shall be initially approved by the technical review and advisory panel and shall be applicable to and reflect the soil conditions specific to Florida. Such projects shall be awarded through competitive negotiation, using the procedures provided in s. <u>287.055</u>, to public or private entities that have experience in onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems in Florida and that are principally located in Florida. Research projects shall not be awarded to firms or entities that employ or are associated with persons who serve on either the technical review and advisory committee.

(k) Approve the installation of individual graywater disposal systems in which blackwater is treated by a central sewerage system.

(l) Regulate and permit the sanitation, handling, treatment, storage, reuse, and disposal of byproducts from any system regulated under this chapter and not regulated by the Department of Environmental Protection.

(m) Permit and inspect portable or temporary toilet services and holding tanks) The department shall review applications, perform site evaluations) and issue permits for the temporary use of holding tanks, privies, portable toilet services, or any other toilet facility that is intended for use on a permanent or nonpermanent basis, including facilities placed on construction sites when workers are present. The department may specify standards for the construction, maintenance, use, and operation of any such facility for temporary use.

(n) Regulate and permit maintenance entities for performance-based treatment systems and aerobic trap, treatment unit systems. To ensure systems are maintained and operated according to manufacturer's provide specifications and designs, the department shall establish by rule minimum qualifying criteria for maintenance entities. The criteria shall include: training, access to approved spare parts and components, access to manufacturer's maintenance and operation manuals, and service response time. The maintenance entity shall employ a contractor licensed under s. $\frac{489.105}{3}$ (m), or part III of chapter 489, or a state-licensed wastewater plant operator, who is responsible for maintenance and repair of all systems under contract. $E_{Y}O_{ILB}car^{H}I340car^{2}$ (4) PERMITS; INSTALLATION; AND CONDITIONS.—A person may not construct, repair, modify, abandon, or operate an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system without first obtaining a permit approved by the department. The department may issue permits to carry out this section, but shall not make the issuance of such permits contingent upon prior approval by the Department of Environmental Protection, except that the

issuance of a permit for work seaward of the coastal construction control line established under s. 161.053 shall be contingent upon receipt of any required coastal construction control line permit from the Department of Environmental Protection. A construction permit is valid for 18 months from the issuance date and may be extended by the department for one 90-day period under rules adopted by the department. A repair permit is valid for 90 days from the date of issuance. An operating permit must be obtained prior to the use of any aerobic treatment unit or if the establishment generates commercial waste.) Buildings or establishments that use an aerobic treatment) unit or generate commercial waste shall be inspected by the department at least annually to assure compliance with the terms of the operating permit. The operating permit for a commercial wastewater system is valid for 1 year from the date of issuance and must be renewed annually. The operating permit for an aerobic) treatment unit is valid for 2 years from the date of issuance and must be renewed every 2 years. If all information pertaining to the siting, location, and installation conditions or repair of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system remains the same, a construction or repair permit for the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system may be transferred to another person, if the transferree) files, within 60 days after the transfer of ownership, an amended application providing all corrected information and proof of ownership of the property. There is no fee associated with the processing of this supplemental information. A person may not contract to construct, modify, alter, repair, service, abandon, or maintain any portion of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system without being registered under part III of chapter 489. A property owner who personally performs construction, maintenance, or repairs to a system serving his or her own owneroccupied single-family residence is exempt from registration requirements for performing such construction, maintenance, or repairs on that residence, but is subject to all permitting requirements. A municipality or political subdivision of the state may not issue a building or plumbing permit for any building that requires the use of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system unless the owner or builder has (received a construction permit for such system from the department. A building or structure may not be occupied and a municipality. political subdivision, or any state or federal agency may not authorize occupancy until the department approves the final installation of the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system. A municipality or political subdivision of the state may not approve any change in occupancy or tenancy of a building that uses an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system until the department has reviewed the use of the system with the proposed change, approved the change, and amended the operating permit.

(a) Subdivisions and lots in which each lot has a minimum area of at least one-half acre and either a minimum dimension of 100 feet or a mean of at least 100 feet of the side bordering the street and the distance formed by a line parallel to the side bordering the street drawn between the two most distant points of the remainder of the lot may be developed with a water system regulated under s. <u>381.0062</u> and onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, provided the projected daily sewage flow does not exceed an average of 1,500 gallons per acre per day, and provided satisfactory drinking water can be obtained and all distance and setback, soil condition, water table elevation, and other related requirements of this section and rules adopted under this section can be met.

(b) Subdivisions and lots using a public water system as defined in s. <u>403.852</u> may use onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, provided there are no more than four lots per acre, provided the projected daily sewage flow does not exceed an average of 2,500 gallons per acre per day, and provided that all distance and setback, soil condition, water table elevation, and other related requirements that are generally applicable to the use of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems are met.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b), for subdivisions platted of record on or before October (, 1991, when a developer or other appropriate entity has previously made or makes provisions, including financial assurances or other commitments, acceptable to the Department of Health, that a <u>central water system</u> will be installed by a regulated public utility based on a density formula, private potable wells may be used with onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems until the agreed upon densities are reached. In a subdivision regulated by this paragraph, the average daily sewage flow may not exceed 2,500 gallons per acre per day. This section does not affect the validity of existing prior agreements. After October 1, 1991, the exception provided under

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this paragraph is not available to a developer or other appropriate entity.

(d) Paragraphs (a) and (b) do not apply to any proposed residential subdivision with more than 50 lots or to any proposed commercial subdivision with more than 5 lots where a publicly owned of investor owned sewerage system is available. It is the intent of this paragraph not to allow development of additional proposed subdivisions in order to evade the requirements of this paragraph.

(e) Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems must not be placed closer than:

1. Seventy-five feet from a private potable well.

2. Two hundred feet from a public potable well serving a residential or nonresidential establishment having a total sewage flow of greater than 2,000 gallons per day.

3. One hundred feet from a public potable well serving a residential or nonresidential establishment having a total sewage flow of less than or equal to 2,000 gallons per day.

4. Fifty feet from any nonpotable well.

5. Ten feet from any storm sewer pipe, to the maximum extent possible, but in no instance shall the setback be less than 5 feet.

6. Seventy-five feet from the mean high-water line of a kidally influenced surface water body.

7. Seventy-five feet from the mean annual flood line of/a permanent nontidal surface water body.

8. Fifteen feet from the design high-water line of retention areas, detention areas, or swales designed to contain standing or flowing water for less than 72 hours after a rainfall or the design high-water level of normally dry drainage ditches or normally dry individual lot stormwater retention areas.

(f) Except as provided under paragraphs (e) and (t), no limitations shall be imposed by rule, relating to the distance between an onsite disposal system and any area that either permanently or temporarily has visible surface water.

(g) All provisions of this section and rules adopted/under this section relating to soil condition, water table elevation, distance, and other setback requirements must be equally applied to all lots, with the following exceptions:

(1) Any residential lot that was platted and recorded on or after January 1, 1972, or that is part of a residential subdivision that was approved by the appropriate permitting agency on or after January 1, 1972, and that was eligible for an <u>onsite sewage treatment</u> and disposal system construction permit on the date of such platting and recording or approval shall be eligible for an <u>onsite sewage treatment</u> and disposal system construction permit, regardless of when the application for a permit is made. If rules in effect at the time the permit application is filed cannot be met, residential lots platted and recorded or approved on or after January 1, 1972, shall, to the maximum extent possible, comply with the rules in effect at the time the permit application is filed. At a minimum, however, those residential lots platted and recorded or approved on or after January 1, 1972, but before January 1, 1983, shall comply with those rules in effect on January 1, 1983, and those residential lots platted and recorded or approved on or after January 1, 1983, shall comply with those rules in effect at the time of such platting and recording or approval. In determining the maximum extent of compliance with current rules that is possible, the department shall allow structures and appurtenances thereto which were authorized at the time such lots were platted and recorded or approved.

2. Lots platted before 1972 are subject to a 50-foot minimum surface water setback and are not subject to lot size requirements. The projected daily flow for onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems for lots platted before 1972 may not exceed:

a. Two thousand five hundred gallons per acre per day for lots served by public water systems as defined in s. <u>403.852</u>.

b. One thousand five hundred gallohs per acre per day for lots served by water systems regulated under s. 381.0062. -153.03(5) Eministration

(h)1.) The department may grant variances in hardship cases which may be less restrictive than the provisions specified in this section. 'If a variance is granted and the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system construction permit has been issued, the variance may be transferred with the system construction

permit, if the transferee files, within 60 days after the transfer of ownership, an amended construction permit application providing all corrected information and proof of ownership of the property and if the same variance would have been required for the new owner of the property as was originally granted to the original applicant for the variance. There is no fee associated with the processing of this supplemental information. A variance may not be granted under this section until the department is satisfied that:

a. The hardship was not caused intentionally by the action of the applicant; \leftarrow BUT HARDSHIP WAS THE OBJECTIVE

b. No reasonable alternative, taking into consideration factors such as cost, exists for the treatment of the sewage; and

c. The discharge from the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system will not adversely affect the health of the applicant or the public or significantly degrade the groundwater or surface waters.

381.0065(4.7H-2)Where soil conditions, water table elevation, and setback provisions are determined by the department to be satisfactory, special consideration must be given to those lots platted before 1972.

2. The department shall appoint and staff a variance review and advisory committee, which shall meet monthly to recommend agency action on variance requests. The committee shall make its recommendations on variance requests at the meeting in which the application is scheduled for consideration, except for an

extraordinary change in circumstances, the receipt of new information that raises new issues, or when the applicant requests an extension. The committee shall consider the criteria in subparagraph 1. in its recommended agency action on variance requests and shall also strive to allow property owners the full use of their land where possible. The committee consists of the following:

a. The State Surgeon General or his or her designee.

b. A representative from the county health departments.

c. A representative from the home building industry recommended by the Florida Home Builders Association.

d. A representative from the septic tank industry recommended by the Florida Onsite Wastewater Association.

e. A representative from the Department of Environmental Protection.

f. A representative from the real estate industry who is also a developer in this state who develops lots using onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, recommended by the Florida Association of Realtors.

g. A representative from the engineering profession recommended by the Florida Engineering Society.

Members shall be appointed for a term of 3 years, with such appointments being staggered so that the terms of no more than two members expire in any one year. Members shall serve without remuneration but if requested, shall be reimbursed for per diem and travel expenses as provided in s. <u>112.061</u>.

(i) A construction permit may not be issued for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system in any area zoned or used for industrial or manufacturing purposes, or its equivalent, where a publicly owned or investor-owned sewage treatment system is available, or where a likelihood exists that the system will receive toxic, hazardous, or industrial waste. An existing onsite sewage treatment and disposal system may be repaired if a publicly owned or investor-owned sewerage system is not available within 500 feet of the building sewer stubout and if system construction and operation standards can be met. This paragraph does not require publicly owned or investor-owned sewerage treatment systems to accept anything other than domestic wastewater.

1. A building located in an area zoned or used for industrial or manufacturing purposes, or its equivalent, when such building is served by an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system, must not be occupied until the owner or tenant has obtained written approval from the department. The department shall not grant approval when the proposed use of the system is to dispose of toxic, hazardous, or industrial wastewater or toxic or hazardous chemicals.

2. Each person who owns or operates a business or facility in an area zoned or used for industrial or manufacturing purposes (or)its equivalent) or who owns or operates a business that has the potential to

generate toxic, hazardous, or industrial wastewater or toxic or hazardous chemicals, and uses an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system that is installed on or after July 5, 1989, must obtain an annual system operating permit from the department. A person who owns or operates a business that uses an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system that was installed and approved before July 5, 1989, need not obtain a system operating permit. However, upon change of ownership or tenancy, the new owner or operator must notify the department of the change, and the new owner or operator must obtain an annual system operating permit, regardless of the date that the system was installed or approved.

3. The department shall periodically review and evaluate the continued use of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems in areas zoned or used for industrial or manufacturing purposes, or its equivalent, and may require the collection and analyses of samples from within and around such systems. If the department finds that toxic or hazardous chemicals or toxic, hazardous, or industrial wastewater have been or are being disposed of through an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system, the department shall initiate enforcement actions against the owner or tenant to ensure adequate cleanup, treatment, and disposal.

(j) An onsite sewage treatment and disposal system designed by a professional engineer registered in the state and certified by such engineer as complying with performance criteria adopted by the department must be approved by the department subject to the following:

1. The performance criteria applicable to engineer-designed systems must be limited to those necessary to ensure that such systems do not adversely affect the public health or significantly degrade the groundwater or surface water. Such performance criteria shall include consideration of the quality of system effluent, the proposed total sewage flow per acre, wastewater treatment capabilities of the natural or replaced soil, water quality classification of the potential surface-water-receiving body, and the structural and maintenance viability of the system for the treatment of domestic wastewater. However, performance criteria shall address only the performance of a system and not a system's design.

2. A person electing to utilize an engineer-designed system shall, upon completion of the system design, submit such design, certified by a registered professional engineer, to the county health department. The county health department may utilize an outside consultant to review the engineer-designed system, with the

actual Within 5 working days after receiving an engineerdesigned system permit application, the county health department shall request additional information if the application is not complete. Within 15 working days after receiving a complete application for an engineerdesigned system, the county health department either shall issue the permit or, if it determines that the system does not comply with the performance criteria, shall notify the applicant of that determination and refer the application to the department for a determination as to whether the system should be approved, disapproved, or approved with modification. The department engineer's determination shall prevail over the action of the county health department. The applicant shall be notified in writing of the department's determination and of

or seek review under the provisions of chapter 120. \rightarrow

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CAPRICIOUS IN FACT The owner of an engineer-designed performance-based system must maintain a current maintenance 3. service agreement with a maintenance entity permitted by the department. The maintenance entity shall inspect each system at least twice each year and shall report guarterly to the department on the number of systems inspected and serviced. The reports may be submitted electronically.

The property owner of an owner-occupied, single-family residence may be approved and permitted by 4. the department as a maintenance entity for his or her own performance-based treatment system upon written certification from the system manufacturer's approved representative that the property owner has received training on the proper installation and service of the system. The maintenance service agreement must conspicuously disclose that the property owner has the right to maintain his or her own system and is exempt from contractor registration requirements for performing construction, maintenance, or repairs on the system , MALONEYS WATER CODE 1:12 but is subject to all permitting requirements.

5. The property owner shall obtain a biennial system operating permit from the department for each system. The department shall MALONEYS WATER CODE

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permits, and may collect system-effluent samples if appropriate to determine compliance with the performance criteria. The fee for the biennial operating permit shall be collected beginning with the second year of system operation.

6. If an engineer-designed system fails to properly function or fails to meet performance standards, the system shall be re-engineered, if necessary, to bring the system into compliance with the provisions of this section.

(k) An innovative system may be approved in conjunction with an engineer-designed site-specific system which is certified by the engineer to meet the performance-based criteria adopted by the department.

(I) For the Florida Keys, the department shall adopt a special rule for the construction, installation, modification operation, repair maintenance, and performance of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems which considers the unique soil conditions and water table elevations, densities, and setback requirements. On lots where a setback distance of 75 feet from surface waters, saltmarsh, and buttonwood association habitat areas cannot be met, an injection well, approved and permitted by the department, may be used for disposal of effluent from onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems. The following additional requirements apply to onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems in Monroe County:

1. The county, each municipality, and those special districts established for the purpose of the collection, transmission, treatment, or disposal of sewage shall ensure, in accordance with the specific schedules adopted by the Administration Commission under s. <u>380.0552</u>, the completion of <u>onsite sewage treatment</u> and disposal system upgrades to meet the requirements of this paragraph.

2. Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems must cease discharge by December 31, 2015, or must comply with department rules and provide the level of treatment which, on a permitted annual average basis, produces an effluent that contains no more than the following concentrations:

a. Biochemical Oxygen Demand (CBOD5) of 10 mg/l.

b. Suspended Solids of 10 mg/l.

c. Total Nitrogen, expressed as N, of 10 mg/l or a reduction in nitrogen of at least 70 percent. A system that has been tested and certified to reduce nitrogen concentrations by at least 70 percent shall be deemed to be in compliance with this standard.

d. Total Phosphorus, expressed as P, of 1 mg/l.

In addition, onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems discharging to an injection well must provide basic disinfection as defined by department rule.

3. In areas not scheduled to be served by a central sewer, onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems must, by December 31, 2015, comply with department rules and provide the level of treatment described in subparagraph 2.

4. In areas scheduled to be served by central sewer by December 31, 2015, if the property owner has paid a connection fee or assessment for connection to the central sewer system, the property owner may install a holding tank with a high water alarm or an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system that meets the following minimum standards:

a. The existing tanks must be pumped and inspected and certified as being watertight and free of defects in accordance with department rule; and

b. A sand-lined drainfield or injection well in accordance with department rule must be installed.

5. Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems must be monitored for total nitrogen and total phosphorus concentrations as required by department rule.

6. The department shall enforce proper installation, operation, and maintenance of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems pursuant to this chapter, including ensuring that the appropriate level of treatment described in subparagraph 2. is met.

7. The authority of a local government, including a special district, to mandate connection of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system is governed by s. 4, chapter 99-395, Laws of Florida.

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8. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system installed after July 1, 2010, in unincorporated Monroe County, excluding special wastewater districts, that complies with the standards in subparagraph 2. is not required to connect to a central sewer system until December 31, 2020.

(m) No product sold in the state for use in onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems may contain any substance in concentrations or amounts that would interfere with or prevent the successful operation of such system, or that would cause discharges from such systems to violate applicable water quality standards. The department shall publish criteria for products known or expected to meet the conditions of this paragraph. In the event a product does not meet such criteria, such product may be sold if the manufacturer satisfactorily demonstrates to the department that the conditions of this paragraph are met.

(n) Evaluations for determining the seasonal high-water table elevations or the suitability of soils for the use of a new insite sewage treatment and disposal system shall be performed by department personnel. Fee professional engineers registered in the state, or such other persons with expertise, as defined by rule, in making such evaluations. Evaluations for determining mean annual flood lines shall be performed by those persons identified in paragraph (2)(j). The department shall accept evaluations submitted by professional engineers and such other persons as meet the expertise established by this section or byrule unless the department has a reasonable scientific basis for questioning the accuracy or completeness of the evaluation.

(o) The department shall appoint a research review and advisory committee, which shall meet at least . SHAPE SHIFTING OF A FORTHARIAGE STRATES STORTHARE STRATES STORTHARE SHIFTING OF A FORTHARE STRATES STORTHARE STRATES AND TRANES STRATES AND TRANES STRATES STORTHARE STRATES STORTHARE STRATES STORTHARE STRATES STORTHARE STRATES STRATES STATES STORTHARE STRATES STATES STA

- 1. A representative of the State Surgeon General, or his or her designee.
- 2. A representative from the septic tank industry.
- 3. A representative from the home building industry.
- 4. A representative from an environmental interest group,

5. A representative from the State University System, from a department knowledgeable about onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems.

6. A professional engineer registered in this state who has work experience in onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems.

7. A representative from local government who is knowledgeable about domestic wastewater treatment.

- 8. A representative from the real estate profession.
- 9. A representative from the restaurant industry.

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Members shall be appointed for a term of 3 years, with the appointments being staggered so that the terms of no more than four members expire in any one year. Members shall serve without remuneration, but are entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses as provided in s. <u>112.061</u>.

(p) An application for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system permit shall be completed in full, signed by the owner or the owner's authorized representative, or by a contractor licensed under chapter 489, and shall be accompanied by all required exhibits and fees. No specific documentation of property ownership shall be required as a prerequisite to the review of an application or the issuance of a permit. The issuance of a permit does not constitute determination by the department of property ownership.

(q) The department may not require any form of subdivision analysis of property by an owner developer or subdivider prior to submission of an application for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.

(r) Nothing in this section limits the power of a municipality or county to enforce other laws for the DEVELOPER_ protection of the public health and safety.

(s) In the siting of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, including drainfields, shoulders, and slopes, guttering shall not be required on single-family residential dwelling units for systems located greater than 5 feet from the roof drip line of the house. If guttering is used on residential dwelling units, the

downspouts shall be directed away from the drainfield.

(t) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (g)1., onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems located in floodways of the Suwannee and Aucilla Rivers must adhere to the following requirements:

1. The absorption surface of the drainfield shall not be subject to flooding based on 10-year flood elevations. Provided, however, for lots or parcels created by the subdivision of land in accordance with applicable local government regulations prior to January 17, 1990, if an applicant cannot construct a drainfield system with the absorption surface of the drainfield at an elevation equal to or above 10-year flood elevation, the department shall issue a permit for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system within the 10-year floodplain of rivers, streams, and other bodies of flowing water if all of the following criteria are met:

a. The lot is at least one-half acre in size;

b. The bottom of the drainfield is at least 36 inches above the 2-year flood elevation; and

c. The applicant installs either a waterless incinerating or organic waste composting toilet and a graywater system and drainfield in accordance with department rules; an aerobic treatment unit and drainfield in accordance with department rules; a system approved by the State Health Office that is capable of reducing effluent nitrate by at least 50 percent; or a system approved by the county health department pursuant to department rule other than a system using alternative drainfield materials. The United States Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service soil maps, State of Florida Water Management District data, and Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Insurance maps are resources that shall be used to identify flood-prone areas.

2. The use of fill or mounding to elevate a drainfield system out of the 10-year floodplain of rivers, streams, or other bodies of flowing water shall not be permitted if such a system lies within a regulatory floodway of the Suwannee and Aucilla Rivers. In cases where the 10-year flood elevation does not coincide with the boundaries of the regulatory floodway, the regulatory floodway will be considered for the purposes of this subsection to extend at a minimum to the 10-year flood elevation.

(u)1. The owner of an aerobic treatment unit system shall maintain a current maintenance service agreement with an aerobic treatment unit maintenance entity permitted by the department. The maintenance entity shall inspect each aerobic treatment unit system at least twice each year and shall report quarterly to the department on the number of aerobic treatment unit systems inspected and serviced. The reports may be submitted electronically.

2. The property owner of an owner-occupied, single-'amily residence may be approved and permitted by the department as a maintenance entity for his or her own aerobic treatment unit system upon written certification from the system manufacturer's approved representative that the property owner has received training on the proper installation and service of the system.

3. A septic tank contractor licensed under part III of chapter 489, if approved by the manufacturer, may not be denied access by the manufacturer to aerobic treatment unit system training or spare parts for maintenance entities. After the original warranty period, component parts for an aerobic treatment unit system may be replaced with parts that meet manufacturer's specifications but are manufactured by others. The maintenance entity shall maintain documentation of the substitute part's equivalency for 2 years and shall provide such documentation to the department upon request.

4. The owner of an aerobic treatment unit system shall obtain a system operating permit from the department and allow the department to inspect during reasonable hours each aerobic treatment unit system at least annually, and such inspection may include collection and analysis of system-effluent samples for performance criteria established by rule of the department.

(v) The department may require the submission of detailed system construction plans that are prepared by a professional engineer registered in this state. The department shall establish by rule criteria for determining

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does not affect a septic tank phase-out deferral program im	plemented by a consolidated government as defined
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(aa) An existing-system inspection or evaluation and ass	essment, or a modification, replacement, or
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department shall review and verify a floor plan and site plan	n of the proposed remodeling addition or
modification to the home submitted by a remodeler which s	hows the location of the system, including the
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system. The local health department may visit the site or ot	herwise determine the best means of verifying the
information submitted. A verification of the location of a sy	stem is not an inspection or evaluation and
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by the local health department of a floor plan and site plan.	. If the review and verification is not completed
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	(a) Department personnel who have reason to believe noncompliance exists, may at any reasonable time,
	enter the premises permitted under ss. 381.0065-381.0066, or the business premises of any septic tank (ωE
	contractor or master septic tank contractor registered under part III of chapter 489, or any premises that the
	department has reason to believe is being operated or maintained not in compliance, to determine compliance
	with the provisions of this section, part I of chapter 386, or part III of chapter 489 or rules or standards adopted
	under ss. 381.0065-381.0067, part I of chapter 386, or part III of chapter 489. As used in this paragraph, the
	term "premises" does not include a residence or private building. To gain entry to a residence or private
	building, the department must obtain permission from the owner or occupant or (secure an inspection warrant)
	from a court of competent juriscliction. (UNWARRANTED) AS DECLARED, BASED ON THE RESOURCE ALT
((b)1. The department may issue citations that may contain an order of correction or an order to pay a fine,) 1972
R	or both, for violations of ss. 381.0065-381.0067, part I of chapter 386, or part III of chapter 489 or the rules
	(adopted) by the department, when a violation of these sections or rules is enforceable by an administrative or $\frac{1}{1000}$ and $\frac{1}{1000}$
(Civil remedy or when a violation of these sections or rules is a misdemeanor of the second degree. A citation
	issued under ss. 381.0065-381.0067, part I of chapter 386, or part III of chapter 489 constitutes a notice of
	proposed agency action.
	2. A citation must be in writing and must describe the particular nature of the violation) including specific
	reference to the provisions of law or rule allegedly violated.
	3. The fines imposed by a citation issued by the department may not exceed \$500 for each violation. Each
	day the violation exists constitutes a separate violation for which a citation may be issued. You JUST STANTED A WAR.
	4. The department shall inform the recipient, by written notice pursuant to ss. <u>120.569</u> and <u>120.57</u> , of the
	right to an administrative hearing to contest the citation within 21 days after the date the citation is received.

The citation must contain a conspicuous statement that if the recipient fails to pay the fine within the time allowed, or fails to appear to contest the citation after having requested a hearing, the recipient has waived the recipient's right to contest the citation and must pay an amount up to the maximum fine.

5. The department may reduce or waive the fine imposed by the citation. In determining whether to reduce or waive the fine, the department must consider the gravity of the violation, the person's attempts at correcting the violation, and the person's history of previous violations including violations for which enforcement actions were taken under ss. <u>381.0065-381.0067</u>, part I of chapter 386, part III of chapter 489, or other provisions of law or rule.

6. Any person who willfully refuses to sign and accept a citation) issued by the department commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. $P_{\text{ENVILEXE}} \leftarrow F$

7. The department, pursuant to ss. <u>381.0065</u>-<u>381.0067</u>, part I of chapter 386, or part III of chapter 489, privile the providing services providing services providing services for the county health department trust fund for use in providing services for the county for the c

8. This section provides an alternative means of enforcing ss. <u>381.0065-381.0067</u>, part I of chapter 386, and part III of chapter 489. This section does not prohibit the department from enforcing ss. <u>381.0065-381.0067</u>, part I of chapter 386, or part III of chapter 489, or its rules, by any other means. However, the department must elect to use only a single method of enforcement for each violation.

(6) LAND APPLICATION OF SEPTAGE PROHIBITED.—Effective January 1, 2016, the land application of septage from onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems is prohibited.

(7) USE OF ENHANCED NUTRIENT-REDUCING ONSITE SEWAGE TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL SYSTEMS.—To meet the requirements of a total maximum daily load, the department shall implement a fast-track approval process of no longer than 6 months for the determination of the use of American National Standards Institute 245 systems approved by NSF International before July 1, 2020.

History. -ss. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, ch. 75-145; s. 72, ch. 77-147; s. 1, ch. 77-174; ss. 1, 2, ch. 77-308; s. 1, ch. 78-430; s. 1, ch. 79-45; s. 1, ch. 82-10; s. 37, ch. 83-218; ss. 43, 46, ch. 83-310; s. 1, ch. 84-119; s. 4, ch. 85-314; s. 5, ch. 86-220; s. 14, ch. 89-324; s. 26, ch. 91-297; ss. 1, 10, 11, ch. 93-151; s. 40, ch. 94-218; s. 352, ch. 94-356; s. 1033, ch. 95-148; ss. 1, 3, ch. 96-303; s. 116, ch. 96-410; s. 181, ch. 97-101; s. 21, ch. 97-237; s. 7, ch. 98-151; s. 2, ch. 98-420; s. 192, ch. 99-13; ss. 1, 7, ch. 99-395; s. 10, ch. 2000-242; s. 19,

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ch. 2001-62; s. 1, ch. 2001-234; s. 7, ch. 2004-350; s. 48, ch. 2005-2; s. 4, ch. 2006-68; s. 1, ch. 2008-215; s. 19, ch. 2008-240; s. 35, ch. 2010-205; s. 1, ch. 2010-283; s. 28, ch. 2011-4; s. 3, ch. 2012-13; s. 32, ch. 2012-184; s. 67, ch. 2013-15; s. 1, ch. 2013-79; s. 7, ch. 2013-193; s. 10, ch. 2013-213; ss. 50, 51, ch. 2015-222; ss. 6, 7, 52, ch. 2020-150.

Note.-Section 2, ch. 2020-150, provides that:

"(1) By July 1, 2020, the Department of Health must provide a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives detailing the following information regarding the Onsite Sewage Program:

"(a) The average number of permits issued each year;

"(b) The number of department employees conducting work on or related to the program each year; and

"(c) The program's costs and expenditures, including, but not limited to, salaries and benefits, equipment costs, and contracting costs. (T, D, R, χ)

"(2) By December 31, 2020, the Department of Health and the Department of Environmental Protection shall submit recommendations to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives regarding the transfer of the Onsite Sewage Program from the Department of Health to the Department of Environmental Protection. The recommendations must address all aspects of the transfer, including the continued role of the county health departments in the permitting, inspection, data management, and tracking of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems under the direction of the Department of Environmental Protection.

"(3) By June 30, 2021, the Department of Health and the Department of Environmental Protection shall enter into an interagency agreement based on the Department of Health report required under subsection (2) and on recommendations from a plan that must address all agency cooperation for a period not less than 5 years after the transfer, including:

"(a) The continued role of the county health departments in the permitting, inspection, data management, and tracking of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems under the direction of the Department of Environmental Protection.

"(b) The appropriate proportionate number of administrative, auditing, inspector general, attorney, and operational support positions, and their related funding levels and sources and assigned property, to be transferred from the Office of General Counsel, the Office of Inspector General, and the Division of Administrative Services or other relevant offices or divisions within the Department of Health to the Department of Environmental Protection.

"(c) The development of a recommended plan to address the transfer or shared use of buildings, regional offices, and other facilities used or owned by the Department of Health.

"(d) Any operating budget adjustments that are necessary to implement the requirements of this act. Adjustments made to the operating budgets of the agencies in the implementation of this act must be made in consultation with the appropriate substantive and fiscal committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives. The revisions to the approved operating budgets for the 2021-2022 fiscal year which are necessary to reflect the organizational changes made by this act must be implemented pursuant to s. 216.292(4)(d), Florida Statutes, and are subject to s. 216.177, Florida Statutes. Subsequent adjustments between the Department of Health and the Department of Environmental Protection which are determined necessary by the respective agencies and approved by the Executive Office of the Governor are authorized and subject to s. 216.177, Florida Statutes. The appropriate substantive committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives must also be notified of the proposed revisions to ensure their consistency with legislative policy and intent.

"(4) Effective July 1, 2021, all powers, duties, functions, records, offices, personnel, associated administrative support positions, property, pending issues, existing contracts, administrative authority, administrative rules, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds for the regulation of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems relating to the Onsite Sewage Program in the Department of Health are transferred by a type two transfer as defined in s. 20.06(2), Florida Statutes, to the Department of Environmental Protection.

"(5) Notwithstanding chapter 60L-34, Florida Administrative Code, or any law to the contrary, employees who are transferred from the Department of Health to the Department of Environmental Protection to fill positions transferred by this act retain and transfer any accrued annual leave, sick leave, and regular and special compensatory leave balances."

²Note.-Section 7, ch. 2020-150, added a new paragraph (2)(d) and amended subsections (3) and (4), effective July 1, 2021, to read:

(d) "Department" means the Department of Environmental Protection.

(3) DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.-The department shall:

(a) Adopt rules to administer ss. 381.0065-381.0067, including definitions that are consistent with the definitions in this section, increases for the lot-flow allowance for performance-based systems, requirements for separation from water table elevation during the wettest season, requirements for the design and construction of any component part of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system, application and permit requirements for persons who maintain an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system, requirements for maintenance and service agreements for aerobic treatment units and performance-based treatment systems, and recommended standards, including disclosure requirements, for voluntary system inspections to be performed by individuals who are authorized by law to perform such inspections and who shall inform a person having ownership, control, or use of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system of the inspection standards and of that person's authority to request an inspection based on all or part of the

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ERMI SHARP (b) Perform application reviews and site evaluations, issue permits) and conduct inspections and complaint investigations associated with the construction, installation, maintenance, modification, abandonment, operation, use, or repair of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system for a residence or establishment with an estimated domestic sewage flow of 10,000 gallons or less per day, or an estimated commercial sewage flow of 5,000 gallons or less per day, which is not currently regulated under chapter 403.

(c) Develop a comprehensive program to ensure that onsite sewage_treatment and disposal systems regulated by the department are sized, designed, constructed, installed, sited, repaired, modified/abandoned, used, operated, and maintained in compliance/with this section and rules adopted under this section to prevent groundwater contamination, including impacts from (nutrient pollution) and (surface water contamination and to preserve the public health. The department is the final administrative interpretive authority regarding rule interpretation. In the event of a conflict regarding rule interpretation) the Secretary of Environmental Protection, or his YA THINK! or her designee, shall timely assign a staff person to resolve the dispute.

(d) Grant variances in hardship cases under the conditions prescribed in this section and rules adopted under this section.

(e) Permit the use of a limited number of innovative systems for a specific period of time, when there is compelling evidence that the system will function properly and reliably to meet the requirements of this section and rules adopted under this section.

(f) Issue annual operating permits under this section.

(g) (Establish and collect fees as established under s. 381.0066 for services provided with respect to onsite sewage treatment and CONTRIVED/INVOKED/CAPRILIOUS/ILL-WILLED/ UNWARRANTED disposal/systems.

Conduct enforcement activities, including imposing (fines) issuing citations, suspensions, revocations, injunctions, and (h) emergency orders for violations of this section, part I of chapter 386, or part III of chapter 489 or for a violation of any rule adopted SEMATE is OUT OF DRDER under this section, part I of chapter 386, or part III of chapter 489.

Provide or conduct education and training of department personnel, service providers, and the public regarding onsite sewage (i) treatment and disposal systems.

supervise research on, demonstration of, and training on the performance, environmental impact, and public health impact of (i) onsite sewage treatment of disposal systems within this state. Research fees collected under s. 381.0066(2)(k)) must be used to develop and fund hands-on training centers designed to provide practical information about onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems to septic tank contractors, master septic tank contractors, contractors, inspectors, engineers, and the public and must also be used to fund research projects which focus on improvements of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, including use of performance-based standards and reduction of environmental impact. Research projects shall be applicable to and reflect the soil conditions specific to this state. Such projects shall be awarded through competitive negotiation, using the procedures provided in s. 287.055, to public or private entities that have experience in onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems in this state and that are NTERAGENCY · RECLAIMED WATCH FOR TALET principally located in this state TRANSFERS

(k) Approve the installation of individual graywater disposal systems in which blackwater is treated by a central sewerage system.

Regulate and permit the sanitation, handling, treatment, storage, reuse, and disposal of byproducts from any system regulated (1) under this chapter.

(m) Permit and (inspect portable or temporary toilet services and holding tanks). The department shall review applications, perform site evaluations, and issue permits for the temporary use of holding tanks, privies, portable toilet services, or any other toilet facility that is intended for use on a permanent or nonpermanent basis, including facilities placed on construction sites when workers are present. The department may specify standards for the construction, maintenance, use, and operation of any such facility for temporary use

(n) Regulate and permit maintenance entities for performance-based treatment systems and (aerobic) treatment unit systems. To ensure systems are maintained and operated according to manufacturer's specifications and designs, the department shall establish by rule minimum qualifying criteria for maintenance entities.) The criteria shall include training, access to approved spare parts and components, access to manufacturer's maintenance and operation manuals, and service response time. The maintenance entity shall employ a contractor licensed under s. 489.105(3)(m), or part III of chapter 489, or a state-licensed wastewater plant operator, who is responsible for maintenance and repair of all systems under contract.

(4) PERMITS; INSTALLATION; AND CONDITIONS.-A person may not construct, repair, modify, abandon, or operate an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system without first obtaining a permit approved by the department. The department may issue permits to carry out this section, except that the issuance of a permit for work seaward of the coastal construction control line established under s. 161.053 shall be convingent upon receipt of any required coastal construction control line permit from the department. A construction permit is valid for 18 months after the date of issuance and may be extended by the department for one 90-day period under rules adopted by the department. A repair permit is valid for 90 days after the date of issuance. An operating permit must be obtained before the use of an aerobic reatment unit or if the establishment generates commercial waste. Buildings or establishments that use an aerobic) treatment unit or generate commercial waste shall be inspected by the department at least annually to assure compliance with the terms of the operating permit. The operating permit for a commercial wastewater system is valid for 1 year after the date of issuance and must be renewed annually. The operating permit for an aerobic treatment unit is valid for 2 years after the date of issuance and must be renewed every 2 years. If all information pertaining to the siting, location, and installation conditions or repair of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system remains the same, a construction or repair permit for the onsite sewage

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treatment and disposal system may be transferred to another person, if the transferee files, within 60 days after the transfer of ownership an amended application providing all corrected information and proof of ownership of the property. A fee is not associated with the processing of this supplemental information. A person may not contract to construct, modify, alter, repair, service, abandon, or maintain any portion of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system without being registered under part III of chapter 489. A property owner who personally performs construction, maintenance, or repairs to a system serving his or her own owner-occupied single-family residence is exempt from registration requirements for performing such construction, maintenance, or repairs on that residence, but is subject to all permitting requirements. A municipality or political subdivision of the state may not issue a building or plumbing permit for any building that requires the use of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system unless the owner or builder has received a construction permit for such system from the department. A building or structure may not be occupied and a municipality, political subdivision, or any state or federal agency may not authorize occupancy until the department approves the final installation of the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system. A municipality or political subdivision of the state may not approve any change in occupancy or tenancy of a building that uses an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system until the department has reviewed the use of the system with the proposed change, approved the change, and amended the operating permit.

(a) Subdivisions and lots in which each lot has a minimum area of at least one-half acre and either a minimum dimension of 100 feet or a mean of at least 100 feet of the side bordering the street and the distance formed by a line parallel to the side bordering the street drawn between the two most distant points of the remainder of the lot may be developed with a water system regulated under s. 381.0062 and onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, provided the projected daily sewage flow does not exceed an average of 1,500 gallons per acre per day, and provided satisfactory drinking water can be obtained and all distance and setback, soil condition, water table elevation, and other related requirements of this section and rules adopted under this section can be met.

(b) Subdivisions and lots using a public water system as defined in s. 403.852 may use onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, provided there are no more than four lots per acre, provided the projected daily sewage flow does not exceed an average of 2,500 gallons per acre per day, and provided that all distance and setback, soil condition, water table elevation, and other related requirements that are generally applicable to the use of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems are met.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b), for subdivisions platted of record on or before October 1, 1991, when a developer or other appropriate entity has previously made or makes provisions, including financial assurances or other commitments, acceptable to the department, that a central water system will be installed by a regulated public utility based on a density formula, private potable wells may be used with onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems until the agreed-upon densities are reached. In a subdivision regulated by this paragraph, the average daily sewage flow may not exceed 2,500 gallons per acre per day. This section does not affect the validity of existing prior agreements. After October 1, 1991, the exception provided under this paragraph is not available to a developer or other appropriate entity.

(d) Paragraphs (a) and (b) do not apply to any proposed residential subdivision with more than 50 lots or to any proposed commercial subdivision with more than 5 lots where a publicly owned or investor-owned sewage treatment system is available. This paragraph does not allow development of additional proposed subdivisions in order to evade the requirements of this paragraph.

(e) The department shall adopt rules relating to the location of <u>onsite sewage treatment</u> and disposal systems, including establishing seback distances, to prevent groundwater contamination and surface water contamination and to preserve the public , health. The rulemaking process for such rules must be completed by July 1, 2022, and the department shall notify the Division of Law Revision of the date such rules take effect. The rules must consider conventional and enhanced <u>nutrient-reducing onsite</u> sewage treatment and disposal system designs, impaired or degraded water bodies, <u>domestic wastewatep</u> and <u>drinking water</u> infrastructure, potable water sources, <u>tonpotable</u> wells, <u>stormwater</u> infrastructure, the onsite sewage treatment and <u>disposal</u> system remediation plans developed pursuant to <u>s</u> <u>403.067(7)(a)9.b</u> nutrient pollution, and the recommendations of the onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems technical advisory committee established pursuant to s. 381.00652. The rules must also allow a person to apply for and receive a variance from a rule requirement upon demonstration that the requirement would cause an undue hardship and granting the variance would not cause or contribute to the exceedance of a total maximum daily load.

(f) Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems that are permitted 3 before the rules in paragraph (e) take effect may not be placed closer than:

1. Seventy-five feet from a private potable well.

2. Two hundred feet from a public potable well serving a residential or nonresidential establishment having a total sewage flow of greater than 2,000 gallons per day.

3. One hundred feet from a public potable well serving a residential or nonresidential establishment having a total sewage flow of less than or equal to 2,000 gallons per day.

4. Fifty feet from any nonpotable well.

5. Ten feet from any storm sewer pipe) to the maximum extent possible, but in no instance shall the setback be less than 5 feet.

6. Seventy-five feet from the mean high-water line of a tidally influenced surface water body.

7. Seventy-five feet from the mean annual flood line of a permanent nontidal surface water body.

8. Fifteen feet from the design high-water line of retention areas, detention areas, or swales designed to contain standing or flowing water for less than 72 hours after a rainfall or the design high-water level of normally dry drainage ditches or normally dry individual lot stormwater retention areas.

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(g) This section and rules adopted under this section relating to soil condition, water table elevation, distance, and other setback requirements must be equally applied to all lots, with the following exceptions:

1. Any residential lot that was platted and recorded on on after January 1, 1972 or that is part of a residential subdivision that was approved by the appropriate permitting agency on or after January 1, 1972, and that was eligible for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system construction permit on the date of such platting and recording or approval shall be eligible for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system construction permit, regardless of when the application for a permit is made. If rules in effect at the time the permit application is filed cannot be met, residential lots platted and recorded or approved on or after January 1, 1972, shall, to the maximum extent possible, comply with the rules in effect at the time the permit application is filed. At a minimum, however, those residential lots platted and recorded or approved on or after January 1, 1972, but before January 1, 1983, shall comply with those rules in effect on January 1, 1983, and those residential lots platted and recorded or approved on or after January 1, 1983, shall comply with those rules in effect at the time of such platting and recording or approval. In determining the maximum extent of compliance with current rules that is possible, the department shall allow structures and apput chances thereto which were authorized at the time such lots were platted and recorded or approved.) RESOURCE ACT OF 1977 IS NON-COMPLIANT WITH

2. Lots platted before (1972) are subject to a 50-foot minimum surface water setback and are not subject to lot size requirements. The projected daily flow for onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems for lots platted before 1972 may not exceed:

a. Two thousand five hundred gallons per acre per day for lots served by public water systems as defined in s. 403.852.

b. One thousand five hundred gallons per acre per day for lots served by water systems regulated under s. 381.0062.

(h)1. The department may grant variances in hardship cases which may be less restrictive than the provisions specified in this section. If a variance is granted and the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system construction permit has been issued, the (variance) may be transferred) with the system construction permit, if the transferee files, within 60 days after the transfer of ownership), an amended construction permit application providing all corrected information and proof of ownership of the property and if the same variance would have been required for the new owner of the property as was originally granted to the original applicant for the variance. A fee is not associated with the processing of this supplemental information. A variance may not be granted under this section until the department is satisfied that: AHHH! BUT, IT WAS INTENTIONAL

a. (The hardship was not caused intentionally by the action of the applicant; -

A reasonable alternative, taking into consideration factors such as cost, does not exist for the treatment of the sewage; and b.

The discharge from the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system will not adversely affect the health of the applicant or the с. public or significantly degrade the groundwater or surface waters. Too LATE FOR THAT LEGISLATION

Where soil conditions, water table elevation, and setback provisions are determined by the department to be satisfactory, special Population REDUCTION ? consideration must be given to those lots platted before 1972.)

2. The department shall appoint and staff a variance review and advisory committee, which shall meet monthly to recommend agency action on variance) equests. The committee shall make its recommendations on variance) requests at the meeting in which the aTicle application is scheduled for consideration, except for an extraordinary change in circumstances) the receipt of new information that raises) new issues) or when the applicant requests an extension. The committee shall consider the criteria in subparagraph 1. in its recommended agency action on variance) requests and shall also strive to allow property owners the full use of their land where TAXING POWERS possible. The committee consists of the following:

a. The Secretary of Environmental Protection or his or her designee.

b. A representative from the county health departments.

A representative from the home building industry recommended by the Florida Home Builders Association. C.

d. A representative from the septic tank industry recommended by the Florida Onsite Wastewater Association.

e. A representative from the Department of Health.

A representative from the real estate industry who is also a developer in this state who develops lots using onsite sewage f. treatment and disposal systems, recommended by the Florida Association of Realtors.

A representative from the engineering profession recommended by the Florida Engineering Society.

H. A CONSUMER

Members shall be appointed for a term of 3 years, with such appointments being staggered so that the terms of no more than two members expire in any one year. Members shall serve without remuneration, but if requested, shall be reimbursed for per diem and travel expenses as provided in s. 112.061. HCINERATOR

(i) A construction permit may not be issued for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system in any area zoned or used for industrial or manufacturing purposes, or its equivalent, where a publicly owned or investor-owned sewage treatment system is available, or where a likelihood exists that the system will receive toxic, hazardous, or industrial waste. An existing onsite sewage treatment and disposal system may be repaired if a publicly owned or investor-owned sewage treatment system is not available within 500 feet of the building sewer (stub-out) and if system construction and operation standards can be met. This paragraph does not require publicly owned or investor-owned sewage treatment systems to accept anything other than domestic wastewater.

A building located in an area zoned or used for industrial or manufacturing purposes, or its equivalent, when such building is 1. served by an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system, must not be occupied until the owner or tenant has obtained written approval from the department. The department may not grant approval when the proposed use of the system is to dispose of toxic,

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	hazardous, or industrial wastewater or toxic or hazardous chemicals.	
	2. Each person who owns or operates a business or acility in an area zone or used for industrial or manufacturing purposes or (15)	144
	equivalent, or who owns or operates a business that has the potential to generate toxic, hazardous, or industrial wastewater or toxic or	American
	hazardous chemicals, and uses an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system that is installed on or after July 5, 1989, must obtain	
	an annual system operating permit from the department. A person who owns or operates a business that uses an onsite sewage	
	treatment and disposal system that was installed and approved before July 5, 1989, does not need to obtain a system operating	
	permit. However, upon change of ownership or tenancy, the new owner or operator must notify the department of the change, and the	
	(new owner or operator must obtain an annual system operating permit) regardless of the date that the system was installed or	
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	(areas zoned) r used for industrial or manufacturing purposes, or its equivalent, and may require the collection and analyses of samples	
	from within and around such systems. If the department finds that toxic or hazardous chemicals or toxic, hazardous, or industrial	0
	wastewater have been or are being disposed of through an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system, the department shall initiate	1 -
	enforcement actions against the owner or tenant to ensure adequate cleanup, treatment, and disposal.	5
	(j) An onsite sewage treatment and disposal system designed by a professional engineer registered in the state and certified by	2
	such engineer as complying with performance criteria) adopted by the department must be approved by the department subject to the	V
	following: CORPORATE TAXING POWERS TAP WATER HAS ALL BUT BEEN DESTROYED	U
	1. The performance criteria applicable to engineer-designed systems must be limited to those necessary to ensure that such	10
	systems do not adversely affect the public health or significantly degrade the groundwater or surface water, Such performance criteria	7
	shall include consideration of the quality of system effluent, the proposed total sewage flow per acre, wastewater treatment	er c
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structural and maintenance viability of the system for the treatment of domestic, wastewater However, performance criteria shall TO INCLODE UP TO 30% RELAMMED WATER FON address only the performance of a system and not a system's design. 2. A person electing to use an <u>engineer-designed system</u> shall, upon completion of the system design, submit such design, certified

by a registered professional engineer, to the county health department. The county health department may use an outside consultant to review the engineer-designed system, with the actual cost of such review to be come by the applicant. Within 5 working days after receiving an engineer-designed system permit application, the county health department shall request additional information if the application is not complete. Within 15 working days after receiving a complete application for an engineer-designed system, the county health department shall issue the permit or, if it determines that the system does not comply with the performance criteria, shall notify the applicant of that determination and refer the application to the department for a determination as to whether the system should be approved, disapproved, or approved with modification. The department engineer's determination shall prevail over the action of the county health department. The applicant shall be notified in writing of the department's determination and of the applicant's rights to pursue a variance or seek review under the provisions of Chapter 120 - CAPALLOUS IN FACT 120.57

3. The owner of an engineer-designed performance-based system must maintain a current maintenance service agreement with a maintenance entity permitted by the department. The maintenance entity that inspect each system at le and shall report quarterly to the department on the number of systems inspected and serviced. The reports may be submitted electronically.

4. The property owner of an owner-occupied, single-family residence may be approved and permitted by the department as a maintenance entity for his or her own performance-based treatment system upon written certification from the system manufacturer's approved representative that the property owner has received training on the proper installation and service of the system. The maintenance service agreement must conspicuously disclose that the property owner has the right to maintain his or her own system and is exempt from contractor registration requirements for performing construction, maintenance, or repairs on the system but is INSDECTION subject to all permitting requirements.

5. The property owner shall obtain a biennial system operating permit from the department for each system. The department shall ermits, and may collect system-effluent samples if inspect the system at least annually) or on such periodic basis as th appropriate to determine compliance with the performance criteria. The ree for the biennial operating permit shall be collected beginning with the second year of system operation.

6. If an engineer-designed system fails to properly function or fails to meet performance standards, the system shall be reengineered, if necessary, to bring the system into compliance with the provisions of this section.

(k) An innovative system may be approved in conjunction with an engineer-designed site-specific system that is certified by the engineer to meet the performance-based criteria adopted by the department. DESTROYED.

(1) For the Florida Keys, the department shall adopt a special rule for the construction, installation, modification, operation, repair, maintenance, and performance of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems which considers the unique soil conditions and water table elevations, densities, and setback requirements. On lots where a setback distance of 75 feet from surface waters, saltmarsh, and buttonwood association habitat areas cannot be met, an injection well, approved and permitted by the department, may be used for disposal of effluent from onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems. The following additional requirements apply to onsite_sewage MY GOVERNMENT is COMPOSED OF A BUNCH OF Sick INDIVISUALS treatment and disposal systems in Monroe County:

1. The county, each municipality, and those special districts established for the purpose of the collection, transmission, treatment,

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or disposal of sewage shall ensure, in accordance with the specific schedules adopted by the Administration Commission under s. 380.0552, the completion of onsite sewage treatment and disposal system upgrades to meet the requirements of this paragraph.

2. Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems must cease discharge by December 31, 2015, or must comply with department rules and provide the level of treatment which, on a permitted annual average basis, produces an effluent that contains no more than the following concentrations:

a. Biochemical Oxygen Demand (CBOD5) of 10 mg/l.

b. Suspended Solids of 10 mg/l.

c. Total Nitrogen, expressed as N, of 10 mg/l or a reduction in nitrogen of at least 70 percent. A system that has been tested and certified to reduce nitrogen concentrations by at least 70 percent shall be deemed to be in compliance with this standard.

d. Total Phosphorus, expressed as P, of 1 mg/l.

In addition, onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems discharging to an injection well must provide basic disinfection as defined by department rule. READY TO SERVE ZONE - EMINERT DOMAIN 153.03(5)

3. In areas not scheduled to be served by a central sewerage system, onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems must, by December 31, 2015, comply with department rules and provide the level of treatment described in subparagraph 2.

4. In areas scheduled to be served by a central sewerage system by December 31, 2015, if the property owner has paid a connection for connection to the central sewerage system, the property owner may install a holding tank with a high water alarm or an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system that meets the following minimum standards:

a. The existing tanks must be pumped and inspected and certified as being watertight and free of defects in accordance with department rule; and AHAEROBIC DECOMPOSITION OF CHLORINATED FELES

b. A sand-lined drainfield or injection, well in accordance with department rule must be installed.

5. Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems must be monitored for total nitrogen and total phosphorus concentrations as required by department rule.

6. The department shall enforce proper installation, operation, and maintenance of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems pursuant to this chapter, including ensuring that the appropriate level of treatment described in subparagraph 2. is met.

7. The puttority of (a) local government, including a special district, to mandate connection of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system is governed by s. 4, chapter 99-395, Laws of Florida.

8. Notwithstanding any other law, an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system installed after July 1, 2010, in unincorporated Monroe County, excluding special wastewater districts, that complies with the standards in subparagraph 2. is not required to connect to a central sewerage system until December 31, 2020.

(m) A product sold in the state for use in onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems may not contain any substance in oncentrations or amounts that would interfere with or prevent the successful operation of such system, or that would cause discharges from such systems to violate applicable water quality standards. The department shall publish criteria for products known or expected to meet the conditions of this paragraph. If a product does not meet such criteria, such product may be sold if the manufacturer satisfactorily demonstrates to the department that the conditions of this paragraph are met.

(n) Evaluations for determining the seasonal high-water table elevations or the suitability of soils for the use of a new onsite sewage treatment and disposal system shall be performed by department personnel, professional engineers registered in the state, or such other persons with expertise, as defined by rule, in making such evaluations. Evaluations for determining mean annual flood lines shall be performed by those persons identified in paragraph (2)(k). The department shall accept evaluations submitted by professional engineers and such other persons as meet the expertise established by this section or by rule unless the department has a reasonable scientific basis for questioning the accuracy or completeness of the evaluation.

(o) An application for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system permit shall be completed in full, signed by the owner or the super't asthorized representative, or by a contractor licensed under chapter 489, and shall be accompanied by all required exhibits and fees, pecific documentation of property ownership is not required as a prerequisite to the review of an application or the ssuance of a permit. The issuance of a permit does not constitute determination by the department of property ownership.

(p) The department may not require any form of subdivision analysis of property by an owner, developer, or subdivider before submission of an application for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.

(q) This section does not limit the power of a municipality or county to enforce other laws for the protection of the public health and safety.

(r) In the siting of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, including drainfields, shoulders, and slopes, guttering may not be required on single-family residential dwelling units for systems located greater than 5 feet from the roof drip line of the house. If guttering is used on residential dwelling units, the downspouts shall be directed away from the drainfield.

(s) Notwithstanding subparagraph (g)1., onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems located in floodways of the Suwannee and Aucilla Rivers must adhere to the following requirements:

1. The absorption surface of the drainfield may not be subject to flooding based on 10-year flood elevations. Provided, however, for lots or parcels created by the subdivision of land in accordance with applicable local government regulations before January 17, 1990, if an applicant cannot construct a drainfield system with the absorption surface of the drainfield at an elevation equal to or above 10-year flood elevation, the department shall issue a permit for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system within the 10-year
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based upon a validly issued construction permit under rules applicable at the time of construction but a change to a rule occurs within 5 years after the approval of the system for construction but before the final approval of the system, the rules applicable and in effect at the time of construction approval apply at the time of final approval if fundamental site conditions have not changed between the time of construction approval and final approval.

(z) An(existing-system)inspection or evaluation and assessment, or a modification, replacement, or upgrade of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system is not required for a remodeling addition or modification to a single-family home if a bedroom is not added. However, a remodeling addition or modification to a single-family home may not cover any part of the existing system or encroach upon a required setback or the unobstructed area. To determine if a setback or the unobstructed area is impacted, the local health department shall review and verify a floor plan and site plan of the proposed remodeling addition of modification to the home submitted by a remodeler which shows the location of the system, including the distance of the remodeling addition or modification to the home from the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system. The local health department may visit the site or otherwise determine the best means of verifying the information submitted. A verification of the location of a system is not an inspection or evaluation and assessment of the system. The review and verification must be completed within 7 business days after receipt by the local health department of a floor plan and site plan. If the review and verification is not completed within such time, the remodeling addition or modification to the single-family home, for the purposes of this paragraph, is approved.

³Note.-Section 52, ch. 2020-150, provides that "[t]he Division of Law Revision is directed to replace the phrase 'before the rules [. . .] in paragraph (e) take effect' as it is used in the amendment made by this act to s. 381.0065(4)(f), Florida Statutes, with the date such rules are adopted, as provided by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to s. 381.0065(4)(e), Florida Statutes, as amended by this act."

Note.-Former s. 381.272.

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http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display___ (d) If the department proposes to implement total maximum daily load calculations or allocations established prior to the effective date of this act, the department shall adopt those calculations and allocations by rule by the secretary pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 and paragraph (6)(c). RELIGION OF CHRISTIANITY RELIGION IN ASSESSMENT.-(3) PARTICULAR (a) Based on the priority ranking and schedule for a particular listed (water) body or (water) body segment, the department shall conduct a total maximum daily los t of the basin in which the water body or water body segment is tocated using the methodology developed pursuant to paragraph (b). In conducting this assessment, the department shall coordinate with the local water management district, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, other appropriate state agencies, soil and water conservation districts, environmental groups, regulated interests, and other interested parties. MALONEYS WATER (b) The department shall adopt by rule a methodology for determining those waters which are 100 NUE ACT 5) impaired. The rule shall provide for consideration as to whether water quality standards codified in of'72 chapter 62-302, Florida Administrative Code, are being exceeded, based on objective and credible data, CLEANWATER studies and reports, including surface water improvement and management plans approved by water ALTOF management districts and pollutant (load reduction goals developed) according to department rule. Such STEP# | POLLUTE WATER 1977 STEP#2 REPAIR IMPARED SUCH WATCH BODIES rule also shall set forth: 1. Water quality sample collection and analysis requirements, accounting for ambient background STEP#3 VANQUISH CHRISTIANILY ~ FED PAPOR #2 conditions, seasonal and other natural variations; > NATURALIZED AS DUE PROCETS IN THE 14th Americament Approved methodologies; 2. Quality assurance and quality control protocols; 3. BRITTISH LEGISLATION, AS Data modeling; and DECLARED CONSTITUTIONAL IMPUNE MEDIUMS 5. Other appropriate water quality assessment measures. ISRAELS DECEDTION (c) If the department has adopted a rule establishing a numerical criterion for a particular pollutant, a narrative or biological criterion may not be the basis for determining an impairment in connection with that pollutant unless the department identifies specific factors as to why the numerical criterion is not adequate to protect water quality. If water quality nonattainment is based on narrative) or biological criteria, the specific factors concerning particula pollutants shall be identified prior to a total maximum daily load being developed for those criteria for that surface water or surface water segment. APPROVED LIST.-If the department determines, based on the total maximum daily load assessment methodology describes in subsection (3), that water quality standards are not being achieved and that technology-based effluent limitations and other pollution control programs under local states of federal authority, including Everglades restoration activities pursuant to s. 373.4592 and the National Estuary Program, which are designed to restore such waters for the pollutant of concern are not sufficient to result in attainment of applicable surface water quality standards, it shall confirm that determination by issuing a subsequent, updated list of those water bodies or segments for which total maximum daily loads will be calculated. In association with this updated list, the department shall establish priority rankings and schedules by which water bodies or segments will be subjected to total maximum daily load calculations. ted under this subsection, the department must specify the J' Israel and Baiting segment is t particular pollutants causing the impairment and the concentration of those pollutants causing the impairment relative to the water quality standard. This updated list shall be approved and amended by order of the department subsequent to completion of an assessment of each water body or water body segment, and submitted to the United States Invironmental Protection Agency. Each order shall be subject - CAPRICIOUS IN FACT to challenge under ss. 120.569 and 120.57 RISING AS FACT) Anticle 3 Sections 7 CONSTITUTO (5) REMOVAL FROM LIST.—At any time throughout the total maximum daily load process, surface waters or segments evaluated or listed under this section shall be removed from the lists described in subsection (2) or subsection (4) upon demonstration that water quality criteria are being attained, based on data AS PROSTRATE FED Popen B4? 2/13/2021, 11:45 AM

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equivalent to that required by rule under subsection (3).

- (6) CALCULATION AND ALLOCATION. -
- (a) Calculation of total maximum daily load.

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The department shall develop total maximum daily load calculations for each water body or water 2. body segment on the list described in subsection (4) according to the priority ranking and schedule unless mmm. the impairment of such waters is due solely to activities other than point and nonpoint sources of METHOD pollution. For waters determined to be impaired due solely to factors other than point and conpoint SCHEDULE sources of pollution, no total maximum daily load will be required. A total maximum daily load may be required for those waters that are impaired predominantly due to activities other than point and nonpoint sources. The total maximum daily load calculation shall establish the amount of a pollutant that a water body or water body segment may receive from (all sources) without exceeding water quality standards, and shall account for seasonal variations and include a margin of safety that takes into account any lack of knowledge)concerning the relationship between effluent limitations and water quality. The total maximum THE PROBLEM IS daily load may be based on a pollutant load reduction goal developed by a water management district, тне DEFINITION OF provided that such pollutant load reduction goal is promulgated by the department in accordance with the GOVERNMENT EQUITABLE IN SUCH DEVELOPMENT ?? procedural and substantive requirements of this subsection. Allocation of total maximum daily loads. The total maximum daily loads shall include establishment

(b) of reasonable and equitable allocations of the total maximum daily load between or among point and THE PRODESTANTS nonpoint sources that will alone, or in conjunction with other management and restoration activities, AND THE JEWS PROMUGULATED/ provide for the attainment of the pollutant reductions established pursuant to paragraph (a) to achieve CONSTITUTED THIS TO BE. water quality standards for the pollutant causing impairment? The allocations may establish the maximum amount of the water pollutant that may be discharged or released into the water body or water body DESPOTIC WATER TURNOVETION segment in combination with other discharges or releases. Allocations may also be made to individual basins and sources or as a whole to all basins and sources or categories of sources of inflow to the water body or water body segments. An initial allocation of allowable pollutant loads among point and nonpoint sources may be developed as part of the total maximum daily load. However, in such cases, the detailed allocation to specific point sources and specific categories of nonpoint sources shall be established in the basin (management action) plan pursuant to subsection (7). The initial and detailed allocations shall be designed to attain the pollutant reductions established pursuant to paragraph (a) and shall be based on consideration of the following: FUNNY AS PROMUGULATED.

- Existing treatment levels and management practices? 1.
- Best management practices established and implemented pursuant to par agraph (7)(c); 2.
- 3. (Enforceable)treatment levels established pursuant to state or local law or permit;
- Differing impacts pollutant sources and forms of pollutant may have on water quality; 4.
- The availability of treatment technologies, management practices, or other pollutant reduction 5.
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 - Environmental, economic, and technological feasibility of achieving the allocation; 6.
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Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, other appropriate state agencies, local soil and water conservation districts, environmental groups, regulated interests, and affected pollution sources, are invited to participate in the process. The department shall hold at least one public meeting in the vicinity / of the watershed or basin to discuss and receive comments during the planning process and shall otherwise encourage public participation to the greatest practicable extent. Notice of the public meeting must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in each county in which the watershed or basin lies at least 5 days, but not more than 15 days, before the public meeting. A basin management action plan does not supplant or otherwise alter any assessment made under subsection (3) or subsection (4) or any calculation or initial allocation.

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4. Each new or revised basin management action plan shall include:

a. The appropriate management strategies available through existing water quality protection programs to achieve total maximum daily loads, which may provide for phased implementation to promote timely, cost-effective actions as provided for in s. <u>403.151</u>;

b. A description of best management practices adopted by rule;

c. A list of projects in priority ranking with a planning-level cost estimate and estimated date of completion for each listed project;

d. The source and amount of financial assistance to be made available by the department, a water management district, or other entity for each listed project, if applicable; and

6. The basin management action plan must include milestones for implementation and water quality improvement, and an associated water quality monitoring component sufficient to evaluate whether BASED LEGISLATING LACK OF SENSITY (reasonable) progress in pollutant load reductions is being achieved over time. An assessment of progress

toward these milestones shall be conducted every 5 years, and revisions to the plan shall be made as appropriate. Revisions to the basin management action plan shall be made by the department in *Composition with basin stakeholders*. Revisions to the management strategies required for nonpoint sources must follow the procedures in subparagraph (c)4. Revised basin management action plans must be adopted pursuant to subparagraph 5.

7. In accordance with procedures adopted by rule under paragraph (9)(c), basin management action plans, and other pollution control programs under local, state, or federal authority as provided in subsection (4), may allow point or nonpoint sources that will achieve greater pollutant reductions than required by an adopted total maximum daily load or wasteload allocation to generate, register, and trade water quality credits for the excess reductions to enable other sources to achieve their allocation; however, the generation of water quality credits does not remove the obligation of a source or activity to meet applicable technology requirements or adopted best management practices. Such plans must allow trading between NPDES permittees, and trading that may or may not involve NPDES permittees, where the generation or use of the credits involve an entity or activity not subject to department water discharge permits whose owner voluntarily elects to obtain department authorization for the generation and sale of *Hammer No Victims*. *Only Volunteins Collection* of *Rond Water Collection* of *Rond Water*.

8. The department's rule relating to the equitable abatement of pollutants into surface waters do not apply to water bodies or water body segments for which a basin management plan that takes into account why Did Rosever Danim The Evendtabes Erc..... (future new or expanded activities or discharges has been adopted under this section.

9. In order to promote resilient wastewater utilities, if the department identifies domestic wastewater treatment facilities or onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems as contributors of at least 20 percent of point source or nonpoint source nutrient pollution or if the department determines remediation is

necessary to achieve the total maximum daily load, a basin management action plan for a nutrient total maximum daily load must include the following:

a. A wastewater treatment plan developed by each local government, in cooperation with the department, the water management district, and the public and private domestic wastewater treatment within the for the local government, that addresses domestic wastewater. The wastewater treatment plan must: $a = \frac{2\pi Sum E \leq T_{rod}}{2\pi Sum E \leq T_{rod}}$

(I) Provide for construction, expansion, or upgrades necessary to achieve the total maximum daily load requirements applicable to the domestic wastewater treatmen applicable to the domestic wastewater treatmen and the domestic wastew

(II) Include the permitted capacity in average annual gallons per day for the domestic wastewater treatment facility; the average nutrient concentration and the estimated average nutrient load of the DES portion domestic wastewater; a projected timeline of the dates by which the construction of any facility will will improvements will begin and be completed and the date by which operations of the improved facility will improvements; and the identity of responsible parties (LABLET)

The wastewater treatment plan must be adopted as part of the basin management action plan no-later than July 1, 2025. A local government that does not have a domestic wastewater treatment facility in its jurisdiction is not required to develop a wastewater treatment plan unless there is a demonstrated need to establish a domestic wastewater treatment facility within its jurisdiction to improve water quality necessary to achieve a total maximum daily load. A local government is not responsible for a private domestic wastewater facility's compliance with a basin management action plan unless such facility is operated through a public-private partnership to which the local government is a party.

b. An onsite sewage treatment and disposal system remediation plan developed by each local government in cooperation with the department, the Department of Health, water management districts, and public and private domestic wastewater treatment facilities.

(I) The onsite sewage treatment and disposal system remediation plan must identify cost-effective and financially feasible projects necessary to achieve the nutrient load reductions required for onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems. To identify cost-effective and financially feasible projects for remediation of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, the local government shall:

(A) Include an inventory of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems based on the best information available; WHAT ABOUT THE CAUSES, THE MANIFEST CAUSES (1715) 14th AMENDMENT OF THIS ISSUE.

(B) Identify onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems that would be eliminated through connection to existing or future central domestic wastewater infrastructure in the jurisdiction or domestic wastewater service area of the local government, that would be replaced with or upgraded to enhanced nutrient-reducing onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, or that would remain on conventional onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems;

(C) Estimate the costs of potential <u>onsite sewage treatment</u> and disposal system connections, 381.0065 upgrades, or replacements; and

(D) Identify deadlines and interim milestones for the planning, design, and construction of projects.

(II) The department shall adopt the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system remediation plan as part of the basin management action plan no later than July 1, 2025, or as required for Outstanding Florida Springs under s. <u>373.807</u>. Election of Choice CAPTORES of WATER Anticle Section 1 CAPTORES of WATER Anticle Section 1

10. When identifying wastewater projects in a basin management action plan, the department may not require the higher cost option if it achieves the same nutrient load reduction as a lower cost option. A regulated entity may choose a different cost option if it complies with the pollutant reduction requirements of an adopted total maximum daily load and meets or exceeds the pollution reduction requirement of the original project.

(b) Total maximum daily load implementation.-

1. The department shall be the lead agency in coordinating the implementation of the total maximum daily loads through existing water quality protection programs. Application of a total maximum daily load by a water management district must be consistent with this section and does not require the issuance of an order or a separate action pursuant to s. <u>120.536(1)</u> or s. <u>120.54</u> for the adoption of the calculation and allocation previously established by the department. Such programs may include, but are not limited to:

a. Permitting and other existing regulatory programs, including water-quality-based effluent limitations;

b. Nonregulatory and incentive-based programs, including best management practices, cost sharing, waste minimization, pollution prevention, agreements established pursuant to s. <u>403.061(22)</u>, and public education;

c. Other water quality management and restoration activities, for example, surface water improvement and management plans approved by water management districts or basin management action plans developed pursuant to this subsection;

d. Trading of water quality credits or other equitable economically based agreements;

e. Public works including capital facilities; or

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2. For a basin management action plan adopted pursuant to paragraph (a), any management strategies and pollutant reduction requirements associated with a pollutant of concern for which a total maximum daily load has been developed, including effluent limits for a discharger subject to NPDES permitting, if any, must be included in a <u>timely manner</u> in subsequent NPDES permits or permit modifications for that discharger. The department may not impose limits or conditions implementing an adopted total maximum daily load in an NPDES permit until the permit expires the discharge is modified, or the permit is *Question Hene* reopened pursuant to an adopted basin management action plan.

a. Absent a detailed allocation, total maximum daily loads must be implemented through NPDES permit conditions that provide for a compliance schedule. In such instances, a facility's NPDES permit (must allow time) for the issuance of an order adopting the basin management action plan. The (time allowed) for the issuance of an order adopting the plan may not exceed 5 years. Upon issuance of an order adopting the plan, the permit must be reopened or renewed, as necessary, and permit conditions consistent with the

plan must be established. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this subparagraph, upon request by an NPDES permittee, the department as part of a permit issuance, renewal, or modification may establish individual allocations before the adoption of a basin management action plan.

b. For holders of NPDES municipal separate storm sewer system permits and other stormwater sources, implementation of a total maximum daily load or basin management action plan must be achieved, to the maximum extent practicable, through the use of best management practices or other management measures.

c. The basin management action plan does not relieve the discharger from any requirement to obtain, renew, or modify an NPDES permit or to abide by other requirements of the permit.

d. Management strategies in a basin management action plan to be implemented by a discharger subject to permitting by the department must be completed pursuant to the schedule in the basin management action plan. This implementation schedule may extend beyond the 5-year term of an NPDES permit.

e. Management strategies and pollution reduction requirements in a basin management action plan for a specific pollutant of concern are not subject to challenge under chapter 120 at the time they are incorporated, in an identical form, into a subsequent NPDES permit or permit modification.

f. For nonagricultural pollutant sources not subject to NPDES permitting but permitted pursuant to

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other state, regional, or local water quality programs, the pollutant reduction actions adopted in a basin management action plan must be implemented to the maximum extent practicable as part of those permitting programs.

A nonpoint source discharger included in a basin management action plan must demonstrate g. compliance with the pollutant reductions established under subsection (6) by implementing the appropriate best management practices established pursuant to paragraph (c) or conducting water quality monitoring prescribed by the department or a water management district. A nonpoint source discharger may, in accordance with department rules, supplement the implementation of best management practices with water quality credit trades in order to demonstrate compliance with the pollutant reductions established under subsection (6).

A nonpoint source discharger included in a basin management action plan may be subject to h. enforcement action by the department or a water management district based upon a failure to implement REALLY the responsibilities in sub-subparagraph g.

i. A landowner, discharger, or other responsible person who is implementing applicable management strategies specified in an adopted basin management action plan may not be required by permit, enforcement action, or otherwise to implement additional management strategies, including water quality credit trading, to reduce pollutant loads to attain the pollutant reductions established pursuant to subsection (6) and shall be deemed to be in compliance with this section. This subparagraph does not limit the authority of the department to amend a basin management action play as specified in subparagraph GRAFTING is A Form oF (a)6. EVASIÓN

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The department, in cooperation with the water management districts and other interested parties, 1. as appropriate, may develop (suitable interim measures) best management practices, or other measures Promuculate necessary to achieve the level of pollution reduction established by the department for nonagricultural nonpoint pollutant sources in allocations developed pursuant to subsection (6) and this subsection. These practices and measures may be adopted by rule by the department and the water management districts and, where adopted by rule, shall be implemented by those parties responsible for nonagricultural nonpoint source pollution. PROMUCULATO

The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may develop and adopt by rule pursuant to 2. ss. (20.536(1) and 120.54 suitable interim measures, best management practices, or other measures necessary to achieve the level of pollution reduction established by the department for agricultural pollutant sources in allocations developed pursuant to subsection (6) and this subsection or for programs implemented pursuant to paragraph (12)(b). These practices and measures may be implemented by those parties responsible for agricultural pollutant sources, and the department, the water management districts, and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall assist with implementation. In the process of developing and adopting rules for interim measures, best management practices, or other measures, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall consult with the department, the Department of Health, the water management districts, representatives from affected farming groups, and environmental group representatives. Such rules must also incorporate provisions for a notice of intent to implement the practices and a system to assure the implementation of the practices, including site FEE-BASED inspection and recordkeeping requirements. TOILET INSDELTION PROMUCIUL ARED

When interim measures, best management practices, or other measures are adopted by rule, the 3. effectiveness of such practices in achieving the levels of pollution reduction established in allocations developed by the department pursuant to subsection (6) and this subsection or in programs implemented pursuant to paragraph (12)(b) must be verified at representative sites by the department. The department shall use best professional judgment) in making the initial verification that the best management practices

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SENSIBILITY are reasonably expected to be effective and, when applicable, shall notify the appropriate water management district or the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services of its initial verification before the adoption of a rule proposed pursuant to this paragraph. Implementation, in accordance with rules adopted under this paragraph, of practices that have been initially verified to be effective, or verified to be effective by monitoring at representative sites, by the department, shall provide a presumption of compliance with state water quality standards and release from s. 376.307(5) for those pollutants addressed by (the practices) and the department is not authorized to institute proceedings I QUESTION THE GOOSE AND against the owner of the source of pollution to recover costs or damages associated with the contamination of surface water or groundwater caused by those pollutants. Research projects funded by the department, a water management district, or the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to develop or demonstrate interim measures or best management practices shall be granted a presumption of compliance with state water quality standards and a release from s. 376.307(5). The presumption of compliance and release is limited to the research site and only for those pollutants addressed by the interim measures or best management practices. Eligibility for the presumption of compliance and release is limited to research projects on sites where the owner or operator of the research site and the department, a water management district, or the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services have entered into a contract or other agreement that, at a minimum, specifies the research objectives, the cost-share responsibilities of the parties, and a schedule that details the beginning and ending dates of the

4. When water quality problems are demonstrated, despite the appropriate implementation, operation, and maintenance of best management practices and other measures) required by rules adopted under this paragraph, the department, a water management district, or the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, in consultation with the department, shall institute a reevaluation of the best management practice or other measure? If the reevaluation determines that the best management practice or other measure requires modification, the department, a water management district, or the 10 CREATED THE Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, as appropriate shall revise the rule to require Beverice (Substantive) (Substa PROBLEM, TO SOLUE

5. Subject to subparagraph 6., the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall provide to the department information obtained pursuant to subparagraph (d)3. Political TRANIGRESSIONS / Dissention

Agricultural records relating to processes or methods of production, costs of production, profits, or 6. other financial information held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to subparagraphs 3., 4., and 5. or pursuant to any rule adopted pursuant to subparagraph 2. are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. Upon request, records made confidential and exempt pursuant to this subparagraph shall be released to the department or any water management district provided that the confidentiality specified by this subparagraph for such records is ANTILLE | SECTION 5 SECRECY MID-HIGHT RAMBLER - ROLLING STONES maintained.

Subparagraphs 1. and 2. do not preclude the department or water management district from 7. requiring compliance with water quality standards or with current best management practice requirements in any applicable regulatory program authorized by law for the purpose of protecting water quality. Additionally, subparagraphs 1. and 2. are applicable only to the extent that they do not conflict with any rules adopted by the department that are necessary to maintain a federally delegated br approved 163,3167 IMPOSED X DICTATED MANIFESTATION OF DESPOTS program. 197,363

(d) Enforcement and verification of basin management action plans and management strategies.—

Basin management action plans are enforceable pursuant to this section and ss. 403.121, 403.141, 1. and 403.161. Management strategies, including best management practices and water quality monitoring, AntiFILAL 373,019(15) are enforceable under this chapter.

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2. No later than January 1, 2017:

a. The department, in consultation with the water management districts and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, shall initiate rulemaking to adopt procedures to verify implementation of water quality monitoring required in lieu of implementation of best management practices or other measures pursuant to sub-subparagraph (b)2.g.;

b. The department, in consultation with the water management districts and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, shall initiate rulemaking to adopt procedures to verify implementation of nonagricultural interim measures, best management practices, or other measures adopted by rule pursuant to subparagraph (c)1.; and

c. The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, in consultation with the water management districts and the department, shall initiate rulemaking to adopt procedures to verify implementation of agricultural interim measures) best management practices, or other measures adopted by rule pursuant to subparagraph(c)2.

The rules required under this subparagraph shall include enforcement procedures applicable to the top of the rules required under this subparagraph shall include enforcement procedures applicable to the top of the rules required to implement applicable management strategies, including best management practices or water quality monitoring as a result of (noncompliance.)

3. At least every 2 years, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall perform onsite inspections of each agricultural producer that enrolls in a best management practice to ensure that such practice is being properly implemented. Such verification must include a collection and review of the best management practice documentation from the previous 2 years required by rules adopted pursuant to subparagraph (c)2., including, but not limited to, nitrogen and phosphorus tertilizer application records, which must be collected and retained pursuant to subparagraphs (c)3., 4., and 6. The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall initially prioritize the inspection of agricultural producers located in the basin management action plans for Lake Okeechobee, the Indian River Lagoon, the Caloosahatchee River and Estuary, and Silver Springs.

(e) Cooperative agricultural regional water quality improvement element.—

1. The department, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and owners of agricultural operations in the basin shall develop a cooperative agricultural regional water quality improvement element as part of a basin management action plan only if:

a. <u>Agricultural measures</u> have been adopted by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to subparagraph (c)2. and have been implemented and the <u>waterbody remains impaired</u>. As Accase ATE

b. Agricultural nonpoint sources contribute to at least 20 percent of nonpoint source nutrient discharges; and

c. The department determines that additional measures, in combination with state-sponsored regional projects and other management strategies included in the basin management action plan, are necessary to achieve the total maximum daily load. $D_{FSODTIC}/D_{10ECT}TAYAT_{10}$

2. The element will be implemented through the use of cost-sharing projects. The element must include cost-effective and technically and financially practical cooperative regional agricultural nutrient reduction projects that can be implemented or private properties on a site-specific cooperative basis. Such cooperative regional agricultural nutrient reduction projects may include land acquisition in fee or conservation easements on the lands of willing sellers and site-specific water quality improvement or dispersed water management projects on the lands of project participants.

3. To qualify for participation in the cooperative agricultural regional water quality improvement element, the participant must have already implemented and be in compliance with best management practices or other measures adopted by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to

subparagraph (c)2. The element may be included in the basin management action plan as a part of the next 5-year assessment under subparagraph (a)6. UNWARRANTED" JUMSDICTION AS DECLARED.

4. The department may submit a legislative budget request to fund projects developed pursuant to this paragraph. In allocating funds for projects funded pursuant to this paragraph, the department shall provide at least 20 percent of its annual appropriation for projects in subbasins with the highest nutrient VARIOUS WAYS. concentrations within a basin management action plan.

(f) Data collection and research.—

TO EXPLOI The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, in cooperation with the University of Florida 1. Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences and other state universities and Florida College System institutions that have agricultural research programs, shall annually develop research plans) and legislative MAKING MONE PROBLEMS budget requests to: SILLY YOUL - MANIFESTED IN NEED OF REPAIR?

a. Evaluate and suggest enhancements to the existing adopted agricultural best management practices to reduce nutrient runoff:

b. Develop new best management practices that, if proven effective, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may adopt by rule pursuant to subparagraph (c)2.; and Problem Lecislative ly Constructes C. Develop agricultural (nutrient runoff reduction projects) that willing participants could implement on

a site-specific, cooperative basis, in addition to best management practices. The department may consider these projects for inclusion in a basin management action plan. These nutrient runoff reduction projects must reduce the nutrient impacts from agricultural operations on water quality when evaluated with the projects and management strategies currently included in the basin management action plan.

2. To be considered for funding, the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences and other state universities and Florida College System institutions that have agricultural research programs must submit such plans to the department and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services by August 1, 2021, and each May 1 thereafter.

The department shall work with the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences 3. and regulated entities to consider the adoption by rule of best management practices for nutrient impacts from golf courses. Such adopted best management practices are subject to the requirements of paragraph (C). UTILITY

(8) WATER QUALITY CREDIT TRADING.-



(a) Water quality credit trading must be consistent with federal law and regulation.

Water quality credit trading must be implemented through permits, including water quality credit (\mathbf{b}) trading permits, other authorizations, or other legally binding agreements as established by department rule.

The department shall establish the pollutant load reduction value of water quality credits and is (c) 320 PANEY Not UTILITY! responsible for authorizing their use.

A person who acquires water quality credits ("buyer") shall timely submit to the department an (d) affidavit, signed by the buyer and the credit generator ("seller"), disclosing the term of acquisition, number of credits, unit credit price paid, and any state funding received for the facilities or activities that AIDING AND generate the credits. The department may not participate in the establishment of credit prices.

(e) Sellers of water quality credits are responsible for achieving the load reductions on which the credits are based and complying with the terms of the department authorization and any trading agreements into which they may have entered.

(f) Buyers of water quality credits are responsible for complying with the terms of the department water discharge permit.

(g) The department shall take appropriate action to address the failure of a credit seller to fulfill obligations, including, as necessary, deeming the seller's credits invalid if the seller cannot achieve the

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(a) The department may not implement, without prior legislative approval, any additional regulatory $\frac{1}{2}$	
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(b) Interim measures, best management practices, or other measures may be developed and voluntarily implemented pursuant to paragraph (7)(c) for any water body or segment for which a total maximum daily load or allocation has not been established. The implementation of such pollution control programs may be considered by the department in the determination made, pursuant to subsection (4).

(13) RULE CHALLENGES.—In order to provide adequate due process while ensuring timely development of total maximum daily loads, proposed rules and orders authorized by this act are ineffective pending resolution of a s. 120.54(3), s. 120.56, s. 120.569, or s. 120.57 administrative proceeding. However, the department may go forward prior to resolution of such administrative proceedings with subsequent agency actions authorized by subsections (2)-(6) if the department can support and substantiate those actions using the underlying bases for the rules or orders without the benefit of any legal presumption favoring, or Common in deference to, the challenged rules or orders.

History.—s. 3, ch. 99-223; s. 10, ch. 99-353; s. 3, ch. 2000-130; s. 1, ch. 2001-74; s. 1, ch. 2002-165; s. 17, ch. 2002-295; s. 10, ch. 2003-265; s. 6, ch. 2005-166; s. 13, ch. 2005-291; s. 1, ch. 2006-76; s. 10, ch. 2006-289; s. 1, ch. 2008-189; s. 1, ch. 2013-70; s. 2, ch. 2013-146; s. 44, ch. 2015-2; s. 33, ch. 2016-1; s. 4, ch. 2016-130; s. 18, ch. 2020-150.

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