

26 public health aspects, it is the intent of the Legislature to
 27 provide a water supply program operated jointly by the
 28 department, in a lead-agency role of primary responsibility for
 29 the program, and by the Department of Health and its units,
 30 including county health departments, in a supportive role with
 31 specific duties and responsibilities of its own. Without any
 32 relinquishment of Florida's sovereign powers and
 33 responsibilities to provide for the public health, public
 34 safety, and public welfare of the people of Florida, the
 35 Legislature intends:

36 (1) To give effect to Pub. L. No. 93-523 promulgated under
 37 the commerce clause of the United States Constitution, to the
 38 extent that interstate commerce is directly affected.

39 (2) To encourage cooperation between federal, state, and
 40 local agencies, not only in their enforcement role, but also in
 41 their service and assistance roles to city and county elected
 42 bodies.

43 (3) To provide for safe drinking water at all times
 44 throughout this ~~the~~ state, with due regard for economic factors
 45 and efficiency in government.

46 Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 403.853, Florida
 47 Statutes, is amended to read:

48 403.853 Drinking water standards.—

49 (3) (a) The department shall adopt and implement adequate
 50 rules specifying procedures for the enforcement of state primary

51 and secondary drinking water regulations, including monitoring
52 and inspection procedures, which ~~that~~ comply with regulations
53 established by the administrator pursuant to the federal act.

54 (b) The department shall adopt and implement rules that
55 establish a statewide drinking water maximum contaminant level
56 for 1,4-dioxane of less than or equal to .35 micrograms per
57 liter. Such rules must require a public water system to:

58 1. By January 1, 2025, test all of the system's
59 groundwater wells for 1,4-dioxane.

60 2. If such testing detects 1,4-dioxane at levels greater
61 than .35 micrograms per liter:

62 a. Develop and submit to the department for approval a
63 mitigation plan to bring any such concentration to an amount at
64 or below such level, and comply with the new standards within 5
65 years after such rules are adopted. The mitigation plan may
66 include installing any required infrastructure to meet such
67 requirements;

68 b. Retest for 1,4-dioxane in the system's groundwater
69 wells at a frequency determined by the department; and

70 c. Make the mitigation plan submitted to and approved by
71 the department and the results of any testing publicly
72 available.

73 3. If such testing detects 1,4-dioxane at a level of .35
74 micrograms per liter or less:

75 a. Make the results of such testing publicly available;

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76 and

77 b. Retest for 1,4-dioxane in the system's groundwater
78 wells within 5 years after the previous test.

79 Section 3. Present subsections (7) through (16) of section
80 403.8532, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (8)
81 through (17), respectively, and a new subsection (7) is added to
82 that section, to read:

83 403.8532 Drinking water state revolving loan fund; use;
84 rules.—

85 (7) The department shall provide financial assistance to a
86 public water system for the purpose of updating any
87 infrastructure necessary to meet the standards for 1,4-dioxane
88 under s. 403.853(3)(b). Such assistance must include, at a
89 minimum, 20 percent of the funding necessary to update the
90 infrastructure to meet such standards. The department shall
91 establish by rule criteria for determining the needs of a public
92 water system and the amount of funds necessary to meet the
93 requirements of s. 403.853(3)(b)2.

94 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.