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1	(b) If the applicant conclusively demonstrates that
2	the proposed discharge will not result in violation of state
3	water quality standards, either by itself or in combination
4	with other discharges, and will not hinder efforts to restore
5	the water quality of the coastal waters of the state adjacent
6	to Pasco County; or
7	(c) If the applicant's discharge is an intermittent
8	surface water discharge occurring during wet weather
9	conditions, subject to the requirements of department rules.
10	Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2002.
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13	LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY
14	Effective January 1, 2002, prohibits new discharges or
15	increased pollutant loadings from existing sewage treatment facilities into the coastal waters adjacent to
16	Pasco County or waters tributary thereto. Authorizes the Department of Environmental Protection to grant
17	exceptions under specified circumstances. (See bill for details.)
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