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**Abstract:** Provides certain local officials with the right to file applications with the commissioner of conservation (commissioner) relative to areas of groundwater concern and gives the commissioner the authority to initiate a study on areas of groundwater concern.

Present law provides that only the owner of a well has the right to file an application to request the commissioner to declare that an area underlain by an aquifer is an area of groundwater concern. Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law further grants any local official in an area underlain by an aquifer with the right to file such application with the commissioner and gives the commissioner the authority to initiate a study to determine areas of groundwater concern.

(Amends R.S. 38:3097.6(A))