
DIGEST

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Hoffmann

Clarifies the intent of present law (R.S. 40:4.15(C)) relative to industrial water users that own, operate, and maintain a water system dedicated to the exclusive use of industrial operations or facilities.

Directs the secretary of the Dept. of Health and Hospitals (DHH) to promulgate rules through the notice of intent process to replace a series of redeclared emergency rules relative to disinfection requirements for public water systems.

Stipulates that DHH shall publish the requisite notice of intent in the La. Register no later than Dec. 31, 2015.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill:

1. Delete a provision indicating that the intent of present law is to exempt industrial water users that own, operate, and maintain a water system dedicated to the exclusive use of industrial operations or facilities from chlorination standards for public water systems.
2. Add a provision indicating that the intent of present law is to provide that an industrial user that owns, operates, and maintains a water system dedicated to the exclusive use of its operations or facilities may apply for a variance from any requirement to maintain a minimum disinfectant level of free or total chlorine in its water system, and that DHH shall review any such variance request and may grant approval if not inconsistent with applicable federal statute, rule, or regulation.