DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Vicky Selkowe:

Here is a preliminary draft to review while you make the decision about whether to impose a fee to fund the financial assistance. As this is drafted, DNR would provide the financial assistance from an existing environmental fund appropriation for administering water programs. The draft does not provide any additional funding.

As for the idea of a fee, the parallel to AA 4 to 2009 SB 434 would seem to be to require the municipal water systems that do not provide continuous disinfection to pay any fee. I heard the number of systems that do not provide continuous disinfection, but while I think it was a fairly small number, I do not remember what it was. In any event, the draft could require those systems to pay \$500, \$1,000, or some other amount per year to be used for this purpose.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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