

2019 Senate Bill 485 (LRB -4265)

An Act to renumber 281.70 (1); and to create 281.69 (1b) (ae), 281.69 (3) (b) 6., 281.70 (1) (a) and 281.70 (5) (c) 6. of the statutes; relating to: lake management grants and river protection management grants for floating treatment wetlands.

2019

10-10.	S.	Introduced by Senators Testin, Fitzgerald, Cowles and Olsen ; cosponsored by Representatives Loudenbeck, Brandtjen, Dittrich, Felzkowski, Novak, Quinn, Skowronski, Thiesfeldt, Tusler and Born.	436
10-10.	S.	Read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Energy	436
10-22.	S.	Public hearing held	

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01-08.	S.	Executive action taken	
01-09.	S.	Report passage recommended by Committee on Natural Resources and Energy, Ayes 5, Noes 0	568
01-09.	S.	Available for scheduling	
01-17.	S.	Placed on calendar 1-21-2020 pursuant to Senate Rule 18(1)	586
01-21.	S.	Read a second time	594
01-21.	S.	Ordered to a third reading	594
01-21.	S.	Rules suspended	594
01-21.	S.	Read a third time and passed	594
01-21.	S.	Ordered immediately messaged	595
01-21.	A.	Received from Senate	485
02-13.	A.	Read first time and referred to committee on Rules	584
02-13.	A.	Placed on calendar 2-18-2020 by Committee on Rules	
02-18.	A.	Read a second time	
02-18.	A.	Ordered to a third reading	
02-18.	A.	Rules suspended	
02-18.	A.	Read a third time and concurred in	
02-18.	A.	Ordered immediately messaged	
02-19.	S.	Received from Assembly concurred in	

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Adopted Documents

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Amendments: None or Listed below.

Corrections: None or Listed by date below.

Topic: Same as relating clause or Indicated below.

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Date

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October 10, 2019 - Introduced by Senators TESTIN, FITZGERALD, COWLES and OLSEN, cosponsored by Representatives LOUDENBECK, BRANDTJEN, DITTRICH, FELZKOWSKI, NOVAK, QUINN, SKOWRONSKI, THIESFELDT, TUSLER and BORN. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

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4 wetlands.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill makes the placement of a floating treatment wetland eligible for a lake management grant and a river protection grant.

Under current law, the Department of Natural Resources administers the lake management grant program, under which it awards grants of up to \$200,000 each for up to 75 percent of the cost of a lake management project that will improve or protect the quality of water in lakes or in their ecosystems. Nonprofit conservation organizations, most units of local government, and lake associations that meet certain requirements are eligible for these grants. Under current law, activities that are eligible for a grant include certain restoration, protection, or conservation activities. This bill adds to the list of eligible activities the placement of a floating treatment wetland in a lake. Under the bill, a floating treatment wetland is an artificial, buoyant platform for keeping plants afloat that mimics the function of natural wetlands and allows plants to grow in water that is typically too deep for them and that is placed below the ordinary high water mark in a navigable water.

Under current law, DNR administers a financial assistance program to provide grants for river protection management projects, under which it awards up to 75 percent of the cost of a project for up to \$50,000 per management project. Nonprofit

