State of Misconsin



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2011 WISCONSIN ACT 19

AN ACT to renumber 281.17 (8); to amend 281.61 (6); and to create 281.17 (8) (b) of the statutes; relating to: disinfection of municipal water supplies and ranking projects for the safe drinking water loan program.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 281.17 (8) of the statutes is renumbered 281.17 (8) (a).

SECTION 2. 281.17 (8) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

281.17 (8) (b) Notwithstanding par. (a) and s. 280.11 (1), the department may not require a municipal water system to provide continuous disinfection of the water that it provides, unless one of the following applies:

- 1. Continuous disinfection is required under federal law.
- 2. Water quality data, well construction, or water system construction indicate a potential health hazard.

SECTION 2m. 281.61 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

281.61 (6) PRIORITY LIST. The department shall establish a priority list that ranks each safe drinking water loan program project. The department shall promulgate rules for determining project rankings that, to the extent possible, give priority to projects that address the most serious risks to human health, that are necessary to ensure compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 USC 300f to 300j-26, and that assist local governmental units that are most in need on a per household basis, according to affordability criteria specified in the rules. For the purpose of ranking projects under this subsection, the department shall treat a project to upgrade a public water system to provide continuous disinfection of the water that it distributes as if the public water system were a surface water system that federal law requires to provide continuous disinfection.

^{*} Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2009–10: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].