



State of Wisconsin  
2017 - 2018 LEGISLATURE

LRB-1404/P2  
MCP:amn

DOA:.....Frederick, BB0207 - Allow approval of a water supply service area under the Great Lakes Compact

**FOR 2017-2019 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

**AN ACT** ...; **relating to:** the budget.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

**ENVIRONMENT**

**WATER QUALITY**

Under current law, a person operating a public water supply system must prepare a water supply plan, approved by DNR, that shows the proposed water supply service areas and an assessment of the environmental and economic impacts of carrying out the water supply plan, along with other information. If the planning area is within an area for which an areawide water quality planning agency has been designated, the agency is responsible for designating the proposed water supply service areas in the water supply plan. This bill provides that the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Council may designate, in a water supply plan, the water supply service areas for a public water supply system making a withdrawal from the Great Lakes basin. The water supply service areas designated by the council do not need to be consistent with the approved areawide water quality management plan for the planning area.

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

**SECTION 1.** 281.348 (1) (cm) of the statutes is created to read:

281.348 (1) (cm) “Great Lakes council” means the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Council, created under s. 281.343 (2) (a).

**SECTION 2.** 281.348 (3) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

281.348 (3) (c) 1. Delineation of the area for which the plan is being prepared and proposed water supply service areas for each public water supply system making a withdrawal covered by the plan, except as provided in par. (cm) or (cr).

**SECTION 3.** 281.348 (3) (cm) of the statutes is amended to read:

281.348 (3) (cm) For the purposes of plans under par. (a), and except as provided in par. (cr), an areawide water quality planning agency designated by the governor under ch. NR 121, Wis. Adm. Code, shall delineate the proposed water supply service areas for all of the public water supply systems in the planning area for which the agency is designated. An areawide water quality planning agency shall delineate proposed water supply service areas that are consistent with the approved areawide water quality management plan under s. 283.83 for the planning area and that permit the development of plans that are approvable under par. (d). An areawide water quality planning agency may also provide regional water needs assessments and other regional water supply planning information. The process for conducting regional activities under this subsection may be the same as the process for regional water supply planning for a groundwater management area designated under s. 281.34 (9).

**SECTION 4.** 281.348 (3) (cr) of the statutes is created to read:

281.348 (3) (cr) For the purposes of plans under par. (a), the Great Lakes council may delineate the proposed water supply service areas for a public water supply system making a withdrawal from the Great Lakes basin. The proposed

water supply service areas delineated by the Great Lakes council need not be consistent with the approved areawide water quality management plan under s. 283.83 for the planning area.

**SECTION 5.** 281.348 (3) (d) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

281.348 (3) (d) 4. The Except as provided in par. (cr), the plan is consistent with any applicable approved areawide water quality management plans under s. 283.83.

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