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2015 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 25

February 9, 2016 - Introduced by Representatives Stuck, Shankland, Genrich, Brostoff, Barnes, Hintz, Hesselbein, Sinicki, Meyers, Considine, Spreitzer, Hebl, Pope, Kessler, Zamarripa, Johnson, Berceau, Billings, Ohnstad, Sargent, C. Taylor and Barca. Referred to Committee on Assembly Organization.

Relating to: requiring the appointment of an assembly committee on water issues affecting Wisconsin.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The resolution requires the Committee on Assembly Organization to create a special committee to 1) study the costs of water and sewer utility privatization across the United States; 2) examine the current quantity and quality of groundwater in Wisconsin with respect to contaminated wells, clean drinking water, and access to water; 3) examine the current quality and contaminants in municipal water systems with respect to lead, arsenic, and other contaminants regulated by the federal Safe Drinking Water Act; and 4) gather and assess information from experts in the policy areas the committee will study, including staff from the Department of Natural Resources and the Public Service Commission. The committee must consist of three members each of the majority and minority parties. The committee must submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the assembly before December 31, 2016.

Resolved by the assembly, That the committee on assembly organization shall create a special committee to study the costs of water and sewer utility privatization across the United States; to examine the current quantity and quality of groundwater in Wisconsin with respect to contaminated wells, clean drinking

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