



## 1997 SENATE BILL 21

January 15, 1997 - Introduced by Senator GROBSCHMIDT, by request of the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules. Referred to Committee on Agriculture and Environmental Resources.

1     **AN ACT to create** 280.16 of the statutes; **relating to:** prohibiting the installation  
2             of certain devices in wells.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Current law authorizes the department of natural resources (DNR) to promulgate rules for obtaining pure drinking water for human consumption and to supervise and control the construction of wells. Current DNR rules relating to well construction include requirements that apply to pitless adapters. A pitless adapter is a device that attaches a well casing pipe to an underground pipe that carries water from the well to the building served by the well. DNR promulgated a rule prohibiting a pitless adapter from extending into the inside of a well casing pipe so that setting or removal of the pump or pump piping is impeded.

This bill prohibits a person from installing any pitless adapter that extends into the inside of a well casing pipe.

This bill is introduced as required by s. 227.26 (2) (f), stats., in support of the action of the joint committee for review of administrative rules in suspending a portion of section NR 812.30 (2) (b), Wis. Adm. Code, a DNR rule, on September 18, 1996. The suspended portion of the rule allowed a pitless adapter to extend into a well casing pipe if the pitless adapter did not impede the setting or removal of the pump or pump piping.

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

