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SYNOPSIS

Requires water supplier to notify affected municipalities, school districts, charter schools, and nonpublic schools of violations of drinking water quality standards.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 **AN ACT** concerning notification of violations of drinking water
2 quality standards, and supplementing P.L.1977, c.224
3 (C.58:12A-1 et seq.).
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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
6 *of New Jersey:*
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8 1. The owner or operator of a public water system shall
9 immediately notify, by telephone and electronic mail, the governing
10 body of a municipality and the chief administrator of every school
11 district, charter school, and nonpublic school located within the
12 municipality whenever the public water system violates any
13 drinking water quality standard for drinking water supplied by the
14 public water system within the municipality. The notification shall
15 provide the name of any contaminant that exceeds a drinking water
16 quality standard, the maximum contaminant level or the action
17 level, as appropriate, for the contaminant, the level of the
18 contaminant found on each date, the dates when the tests were
19 performed, the location of each sample tested, and the location of
20 each sample tested that exceeds a maximum contaminant level or
21 action level. The owner or operator of the public water system shall
22 also provide information on suggested remedies that a customer
23 may take to address the violation.
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25 2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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28 STATEMENT
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30 This bill would require the owner or operator of a public water
31 system to immediately notify, by telephone and electronic mail, the
32 governing body of a municipality and the chief administrator of
33 every school district, charter school, and nonpublic school located
34 within the municipality whenever the public water system violates
35 any drinking water quality standard for drinking water supplied by
36 the public water system within the municipality. The notification
37 would provide the name of any contaminant that exceeds a drinking
38 water quality standard, the maximum contaminant level or the
39 action level, as appropriate, for the contaminant, the level of the
40 contaminant found on each date, the dates when the tests were
41 performed, the location of each sample tested and the location of
42 each sample tested that exceeds a maximum contaminant level or
43 action level. The bill also requires the owner or operator of the
44 public water system to provide information on suggested remedies
45 that a customer may take to address the violation.