

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6224



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by: REP. MUSHINSKY, 85th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING WATER SUPPLIES AND THE WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR WORKFORCE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to: (1) Improve the dam 2 permitting process by expanding the activities that may be undertaken 3 pursuant to the three existing general permits; (2) enhance the 4 preapplication and intake process to ensure that all parties have a 5 thorough understanding of the project scope, regulatory requirements 6 and timeline; (3) prioritize permit review based on dam classification 7 and dam function; (4) work with water utilities to address concerns 8 administration regarding the of the state Department of 9 Transportation's encroachment permit process that imposes liability on 10 public water suppliers for work performed by outside contractors 11 within the state's rights-of-way; and (5) to provide incentives for 12 attracting and retaining water treatment facility operators.

Statement of Purpose:

To improve water supplies and add qualified and certified water treatment operators to address workforce shortages.