



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6224

LCO No. 3477



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 regarding the administration 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.