

Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation

HB 7157 — Ratification of Rules Implementing Total Maximum Daily Loads for Impaired Water Bodies

by Rulemaking Oversight and Repeal Subcommittee and Rep. Santiago (SB 1864 by Environmental Preservation and Conservation Committee)

The bill provides for the legislative ratification of a set of rules establishing total maximum daily loads by the Department of Environmental Protection for various impaired waterbodies in the state. A Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs was produced for each rule and because they each have economic impacts that exceed the thresholds listed in s. 120,541(2), F.S., they may not go into effect until they are ratified by the Legislature. The scope of the bill is limited to this rulemaking condition and does not amend any section of statute or adopt the substance of any rule into statute.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect upon becoming law.

Vote: Senate 35-2; House 118-0