

By Senator Dawson

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to reclaimed water; amending
ss. 373.250 and 403.064, F.S.; requiring the
Department of Health to submit an annual report
regarding the quality of reclaimed water to the
Legislature; revising legislative findings;
providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 373.250, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

373.250 Reuse of reclaimed water.--

(1) The encouragement and promotion of water
conservation and reuse of reclaimed water, as defined by the
department, are state objectives and considered to be in the
public interest. The Department of Health shall provide the
Legislature with an annual report that analyzes the quality of
the reclaimed water that is reused in this state in ways that
involve potential human exposure and provide recommendations
to ensure that such reuse is ~~The Legislature finds that the
use of reclaimed water provided by domestic wastewater
treatment plants permitted and operated under a reuse program
approved by the department is environmentally acceptable and
not a threat to public health and safety.~~

Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 403.064, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

403.064 Reuse of reclaimed water.--

(1) The encouragement and promotion of water
conservation, and reuse of reclaimed water, as defined by the
department, are state objectives and are considered to be in

1 the public interest. The Legislature finds that the reuse of
2 reclaimed water is a critical component of meeting the state's
3 existing and future water supply needs while sustaining
4 natural systems. The Department of Health shall provide the
5 Legislature with an annual report that analyzes the quality of
6 the reclaimed water that is reused in this state in ways that
7 involve potential human exposure and provide recommendations
8 to ensure that such reuse is ~~The Legislature further finds~~
9 ~~that for those wastewater treatment plants permitted and~~
10 ~~operated under an approved reuse program by the department,~~
11 ~~the reclaimed water shall be considered environmentally~~
12 ~~acceptable and not a threat to public health and safety.~~

13 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
14 law.

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