

By Senator Bullard

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to injection wells; amending s. 6, ch.
3 99-395, Laws of Florida; providing exceptions to
4 requirements of the Department of Environmental
5 Protection regarding minimum casing for injection
6 wells used by facilities that have a specified design
7 capacity; providing requirements for an injection well
8 used as a backup to a primary injection well;
9 providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Subsection (7) of section 6 of chapter 99-395,
14 Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

15 Section 6. Sewage requirements in Monroe County.—

16 (7) Class V injection wells, as defined by Department of
17 Environmental Protection or Department of Health rule, shall
18 meet the following requirements and shall otherwise comply with
19 Department of Environmental Protection or Department of Health
20 rules, as applicable:

21 (a) If the design capacity of the facility is less than
22 1,000,000 gallons per day, the injection well shall be at least
23 90 feet deep and cased to a minimum depth of 60 feet or to such
24 greater cased depth and total well depth as may be required by
25 Department of Environmental Protection rule.

26 (b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) for backup wells,
27 if the design capacity of the facility is equal to or greater
28 than 1,000,000 gallons per day, the injection well shall be
29 cased to a minimum depth of 2,000 feet or to such greater depth

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30 as may be required by Department of Environmental Protection
31 rule.

32 (c) If the injection well is used as a backup to a primary
33 injection well, the following conditions apply:

34 1. The backup well may be used only when the primary
35 injection well is out of service because of equipment failure,
36 power failure, or the need for mechanical integrity testing or
37 repair;

38 2. The backup well may not be used for a total of more than
39 500 hours during any 5-year period, unless specifically
40 authorized in writing by the Department of Environmental
41 Protection;

42 3. The backup well shall be at least 90 feet deep and cased
43 to a minimum depth of 60 feet, or to such greater cased depth
44 and total well depth as may be required by rule of the
45 Department of Environmental Protection; and

46 4. Fluid injected into the backup well shall meet the
47 requirements of subsections (5) and (6).

48 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.