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1 2 COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	(Y/N)
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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: State Affairs Committee Representative Maggard offered the following:

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4	Amendment (with title amendment)
5	Remove lines 52-155 and insert:
6	(17) (a) Notwithstanding any provision in this section to
7	the contrary, beginning January 1, 2032, domestic wastewater
8	treatment facilities may not dispose of effluent, reclaimed
9	water, or reuse water by surface water discharge, except that
10	this prohibition does not apply if:
11	1. The discharge meets the requirements of s. 403.086(10);
12	2. The discharge is associated with an indirect potable
13	reuse project;
14	3. The discharge is a wet weather discharge that occurs in
15	accordance with an applicable department permit;
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16	4. The discharge is into a stormwater management system
17	and is subsequently withdrawn by a user for irrigation purposes;
18	5. The utility operates domestic wastewater treatment
19	facilities with reuse systems that reuse a minimum of 90 percent
20	of a facility's annual average flow, as determined by the
21	department using monitoring data for the prior 5 consecutive
22	years, for reuse purposes authorized by the department; or
23	6. The discharge provides direct ecological or public
24	water supply benefits, such as rehydrating wetlands or
25	implementing the requirements of minimum flows and minimum water
26	levels or recovery or prevention strategies for a waterbody.
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28	A violation of this paragraph is subject to administrative and
29	civil penalties under ss. 403.121, 403.131, and 403.141.
30	(b) The department may not approve a permit for a new or
31	expanded surface water discharge unless the discharge meets one
32	or more of the conditions provided in paragraph (a)16.
33	(c) By November 1, 2021, and annually thereafter, domestic
34	wastewater utilities that dispose of effluent, reclaimed water,
35	or reuse water by surface water discharge shall submit to the
36	department the average gallons per day of effluent, reclaimed
37	water, or reuse water that is discharged and the level of
38	treatment that the effluent, reclaimed water, or reuse water
39	receives before being discharged into a surface water. Domestic

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40	wastewater utilities shall also identify any discharges
41	described in paragraph (a).
42	(d)1. By December 31, 2021, and annually thereafter, the
43	department shall submit a report to the President of the Senate
44	and the Speaker of the House of Representatives which provides
45	the average gallons per day of effluent, reclaimed water, or
46	reuse water being discharged into surface waters by each
47	domestic wastewater utility, and the level of treatment that the
48	effluent, reclaimed water, or reuse water will receive before
49	being discharged into a surface water by each domestic
50	wastewater utility and by each discharge described in paragraph
51	(a). As domestic wastewater utilities implement projects to meet
52	the deadline in paragraph (a), the department shall also include
53	the average gallons per day of effluent, reclaimed water, or
54	reuse water that will no longer be discharged into surface
55	waters by the domestic wastewater utility and the dates of such
56	elimination.
57	2. In an effort to ensure that domestic wastewater
58	utilities implement projects and meet the deadline in paragraph
59	(a), the report to be submitted by December 31, 2026, must
60	include a list of permits issued by the department to domestic
61	wastewater utilities that authorize discharges as described in
62	subparagraphs (a)2., 4., and 6. and the average gallons per day
63	of effluent, reclaimed water, or reuse water being used. The
64	department shall also identify all domestic wastewater utilities
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65	that have not submitted a permit application that will allow the
66	utility to meet the deadline in paragraph (a).
67	3. In all reports required by this paragraph, the
68	department shall include any permits issued that implement a
69	direct potable reuse project and the average gallons per day of
70	effluent, reclaimed water, or reuse water being used.
71	(e) This subsection does not apply to any of the
72	following:
73	1. A domestic wastewater treatment facility that is
74	located in a fiscally constrained county as described in s.
75	218.67(1).
76	2. A domestic wastewater treatment facility that is
77	located in a municipality that is entirely within a rural area
78	of opportunity as designated pursuant to s. 288.0656.
79	3. A domestic wastewater treatment facility that is
80	located in a municipality that has less than \$10 million in
81	total revenue, as determined by the municipality's most recent
82	annual financial report submitted to the Department of Financial
83	Services in accordance with s. 218.32.
84	4. A domestic wastewater treatment facility that is
85	operated by an operator of a mobile home park as defined in s.
86	723.003 and has a permitted capacity of less than 300,000
87	gallons per day.
88	(f) This subsection does not prohibit the inclusion within
89	a permit of backup discharges pursuant to s. 403.086(8)(a).
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90	(g) This subsection may not be deemed to exempt a utility
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93	TITLE AMENDMENT
94	Remove lines 3-30 and insert:
95	403.064, F.S.; prohibiting domestic wastewater
96	treatment facilities from disposing of effluent,
97	reclaimed water, or reuse water by surface water
98	discharge beginning on a specified date; providing
99	exceptions; providing administrative and civil
100	penalties; prohibiting the Department of Environmental
101	Protection from approving certain permits; requiring
102	certain domestic wastewater utilities to annually
103	submit to the department certain information by a
104	specified date; requiring the department to submit an
105	annual report to the Legislature by a specified date;
106	providing applicability; providing
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