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House Bill 2085 -4 amendments

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The Water Resources Department appreciates the efforts of the many individuals that have provided input on House Bill 2085. The -4 amendments include changes that were agreed to in prior versions (intro, -1, and -3 amendments), as well as the latest changes that were agreed to as a result of recent conversations facilitated by Representative Witt's office and an owner of a dam. The Department recognizes that other interested parties were not involved in these conversations and is dedicated to bringing parties together in the Senate if the new provisions in the -4 amendments raise concerns with those other interested parties.

In addition, the Department will seek an amendment to address the following items in the Senate as they were inadvertently not included in the -4 amendments as agreed to and requested, but deadlines did not allow for these to be corrected:

- Line 4, Page 4 section 4(3) delete "modification of a dam," replace with "to modify dam height"
- Line 19-20, Page 4 section 5(1) delete "and follow Water Resources Commission standards for safe dam removal"
- Line 17-20, Page 5 section 6(2) delete lines 17-20
- Lines 22-23, Page 7 section 8(3)(a) after Act, delete "why specific information and conditions have caused the department to conclude that the dam is unsafe"
- Line 24-25, Page 11 section 14(1)(c) delete after notice, "in a form acceptable to the department"
- Line 21, Page 15 section 19(2) delete \$5,000 and replace with \$500
- Lines 24-25, Page 16 section 20 restore provisions that delete existing statute subsection 3
- Lines 4-8, Page 17 section 20(4) delete lines 4-8