



Open Government Impact Statement

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SUMMARY

Regulates construction and removal of dams.

Provides for Water Resources Department inspection of dams and related information.

Requires department to notify dam owner if department concludes that dam having significant hazard rating or high hazard rating has condition allegedly rendering dam unsafe or potentially unsafe. Requires informing dam owner of maintenance action need disclosed by inspection. Establishes processes for dam owner response, cooperative development of corrective action plan or use of proposed or final order to ensure corrective action or maintenance action by dam owner.

Sets forth department and Water Resources Director enforcement authority regarding dams.

Requires dam owner to supply department with certain contact information if dam lacks emergency action plan. Requires dam owner to periodically review and evaluate condition of dam. Establishes department authority regarding dam emergency action plan and emergency response exercises at dam having high hazard rating.

Allows department to inspect, evaluate and assess additional forms of hydraulic structure with permission of owner. Allows department to provide recommendations, technical assistance, advice and emergency plan assistance regarding hydraulic structure.

Authorizes director to impose civil penalty for certain violations under dam regulation program, not to exceed \$2,000 per occurrence. Authorizes director to impose civil penalty for violation of certain orders related to dam regulatory program, not to exceed \$500 per month.

Makes violation of certain director or appellate court orders misdemeanor punishable by maximum of six months' incarceration, \$2,500 fine, or both.

Becomes operative July 1, 2020.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

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