

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 HB0164

Introduced 1/22/2021, by Rep. Jeff Keicher

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

415 ILCS 5/15

from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 1015

Amends the Environmental Protection Act. Requires all water main-related appurtenances, including fire hydrants and valves, to be included in the Environmental Protection Agency's written approval of a proposed water main installation project.

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1 AN ACT concerning safety.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Environmental Protection Act is amended by changing Section 15 as follows:
- 6 (415 ILCS 5/15) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 1015)
- Sec. 15. Plans and specifications; demonstration of capability; record retention.
- 9 (a) Owners of public water supplies, their authorized representative, or legal custodians, shall submit plans and 10 specifications to the Agency and obtain written approval 11 before construction of any proposed public water supply 12 installations, changes, or additions is started. Plans and 13 14 specifications shall be complete and of sufficient detail to show all proposed construction, changes, or additions that may 15 16 affect sanitary quality, mineral quality, or adequacy of the public water supply; and, where necessary, said plans and 17 specifications shall be accompanied by supplemental data as 18 19 may be required by the Agency to permit a complete review 20 thereof. In the case of water main installation projects, all 21 water main-related appurtenances, including, but not limited 22 to, fire hydrants and valves, shall be included in the
- 23 Agency's written approval.

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- All new public water supplies established after October 1, 1999 shall demonstrate technical, financial, and managerial capacity as a condition for issuance of construction or operation permit by the Agency or designee. The demonstration shall be consistent with the technical, financial, and managerial provisions of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (P.L. 93-523), as now or hereafter amended. The Agency is authorized to adopt rules in accordance with the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act to implement the purposes of this subsection. Such rules must take into account the need for the facility, facility size, sophistication of treatment of the water supply, and financial requirements needed for operation of the facility.
- (c) Except as otherwise provided under Board rules, owners and operators of community water systems must maintain all records, reports, and other documents related to the operation of the community water system for a minimum of 10 years. Documents required to be maintained under this subsection (c) include, but are not limited to, all billing records and other documents related to the purchase of water from other community water systems. Documents required to be maintained under this subsection (c) must be maintained on the premises of the community water system, or at a convenient location near its premises, and must be made available to the Agency for inspection and copying during normal business hours.
- (Source: P.A. 96-603, eff. 8-24-09.)