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Sectional Analysis HB 235

“An Act relating to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances; relating to thermal remediation of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substance contamination; and providing for an effective date.”

Section 1:

Amends AS 46.03 by adding new sections addressing perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substance testing in drinking water, liability for drinking water and drinking water testing, thermal remediation permits, and definitions.

- Sec. 46.03.345 asks the Department of Environmental Conservation to test all public water systems at least annually for the presence of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances and provide safe drinking water as determined by the provided charts.
- Sec. 46.03.350 adds that a person who releases perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances is liable for the costs of providing drinking water and drinking water testing if they fail to comply with any laws, regulations or instructions regarding the use and disposal of the substance.
- Sec. 46.03.355 requires that facilities that thermally remediate perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substance contamination must have a permit from the Department of Environmental Conservation.
- Sec. 46.03.359 defines which substances are covered by the terms “perfluoroalkyl substance” and “polyfluoroalkyl substance.”

Section 2:

Amends the uncodified law of the State of Alaska by adding a new section which addresses AS46.06.250 added in Section 1.

Section 3:

Indicates that Section 2 of this Act takes immediate effect.

Section 4:

Provides an effective date of January 1, 2027, for this Act with an exception for that indicated in Section 2.