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Explanation of Changes in CSHB 185 (RES)

House Resources adopted a CS with language vetted and approved by EPA/DEC:

- 1) Page 2, line 19: added the phrase "or service," to clarify that the US Coast Guard should be included in the definition of military training activities.
- 2) Page 2, lines 19-20: "unless <u>otherwise regulated under 33 U.S.C. 1251 1376 (Federal Water Pollution Control Act)</u>, as amended

This, also, was not a substantive change to the original bill. It was the language approved by all parties (DoD, EPA) that ensured the Federal Clean Water Act would be the law used as the determining factor in exempting use of munitions for military training activities.

AKDEC can only support the HRES CS as it took months to approve the current proposal through EPA. The letter from the Division of Water, included in the packet, is very helpful in understanding the context for this legislation.