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Annulling a regulation of the Department of Environmental Conservation relating to drinking water.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS under AS 44.62.320 the legislature by concurrent resolution adopted by a vote of both houses may annul a regulation of an agency or department; and

WHEREAS the Department of Environmental Conservation has adopted regulations relating to the monitoring and disinfection of drinking water supplies, in implementation of AS 46.03.020-(10)(C) and the federal Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974; and

WHEREAS 18 AAC 80.040(b) requires without exception continuous chlorination of any public water supply using surface water as a source and serving more than 25 individuals, despite allowance in federal law (sec. 1415(a)(1)(B) of P.L. 93-523) for a variance from such requirements if such treatment of the water is not necessary to protect the health of persons; and

WHEREAS, in light of the renowned purity of Alaska's lakes and streams, as well as the long standing cooperation among all Alaskans in safeguarding drinking water sources, a blanket requirement necessitating installation of costly chlorination equipment for all surface water used as a source of drinking water for more than 25 persons is tremendously wasteful of money, equipment, and manpower.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that administrative regulation 18 AAC 80.040(b) is annulled.