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- 1** **Water supply plans; demand reduction.** Amends § 103G.291, subd. 3. Eliminates a 2008 law that required a public water supplier to employ a conservation rate structure before requesting approval for construction of a new well or a water appropriation permit increase and instead requires the use of demand reduction measures. Requires the DNR and water suppliers to use a collaborative process to achieve demand reduction measures.
 - 2** **Demand reduction measures.** Amends § 103G.291, subd. 4. Establishes a definition of "demand reduction measures" for purposes of the previous and this section. Removes a requirement that public water suppliers serving more than 1,000 people adopt a conservation rate structure and instead requires implementation of demand reduction measures and extends the timeframe to comply by two years (the conservation rate structure requirement, passed in 2008, went into effect January 1, 2010, for water suppliers in the metropolitan area and is schedule to take effect January 1, 2013, for all remaining water suppliers).