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Overview

This bill would prohibit the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) from increasing fees for certain water related activities without legislative approval.

In June of 2017, the PCA published a request for comments on planned amendments to agency rules that would increase the fees the agency charges for certain water quality related permitting and certifications.

Section

- 1** **Generally.** Amends § 115.03, subd. 1. Prohibits the PCA from increasing fees to train water pollution control personnel without legislative approval.
- 2** **Fees.** Amends § 115.77, subd. 1. Subjects PCA fees for reviewing applications and issuing certifications for water supply system operators and wastewater treatment facility operators to legislative approval.
- 3** **Rules.** Amends § 115.84, subd. 1. Removes a provision allowing the PCA to adopt rules establishing fees for certifying wastewater laboratories without legislative approval.
- 4** **Fees.** Amends § 115.84, subd. 3. Prohibits the PCA from increasing fees to cover the costs of certifying wastewater laboratories without legislative approval.
- 5** **Permit fees.** Amends § 116.07, subd. 4d. Subjects fees for water quality permits to legislative approval.