

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1738

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE BRATTIN.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 256, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the regulation of water resources.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 256, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 256.720, to read as follows:

2 **256.720. 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 2 of this section, no rule,**
3 **regulation, order, or ordinance of any political subdivision shall apply to prevent a**
4 **property owner from constructing a private domestic well if the construction is allowed**
5 **under state law.**

6 **2. If the department of natural resources can provide evidence of water**
7 **contamination in an area of the state designated by the department as a special or sensitive**
8 **area, any political subdivision in such area may regulate private domestic well construction**
9 **in order to protect water quality. Any political subdivision in such area may require that**
10 **a water filtration system be installed in any new well construction as a condition of**
receiving a permit.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.