

HB 801 -- WATER SAFETY AND SECURITY

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This bill creates the Missouri Water Safety and Security Act. Within one year, every public water system in the state must create an asset management plan that contains certain information as specified in the bill. All asset management plans must be certified by the licensed operator or professional engineer of the water system and the responsible corporate officer, executive director, or mayor and must be made available for inspection upon request of the Department of Natural Resources. All public water systems using Internet-connected controls must also create a plan that establishes policies and procedures for cyber security risk management, prevention, and mitigation within 12 months. If a public water system receives three notices of violation for any reason, or two notices of violation relating to exceeding maximum contaminant levels within a 12-month period, the public water system shall submit a mitigation plan to the Department of Natural Resources within 60 days of the latest violation. All public water systems must create valve inspection and hydrant inspection programs. The programs must contain requirements as specified in the bill. Public water systems are required to submit an annual report to the department certifying compliance with certain regulations. Nothing in the bill should be construed to establish a private civil cause of action against an individual in violation of any of the provisions.

This bill is similar to SB 66 (2019).