

HB 837 -- PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS

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This bill requires that whenever the Department of Natural Resources determines that a party has released a hazardous contaminant into a public water supply, the Department must request that the Attorney General commence a civil action against the party to recover the cost of remediation and other appropriate relief. If the party responsible for releasing a hazardous contaminant into a public water supply is a public utility company, such public utility company shall not pass the cost of remediation and actual damages to its customers through a rate making proceeding.

This bill is similar to SB 483 (2023).