

CHAPTER 103B

WATER PLANNING AND PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

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103B.227 WATERSHED MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATIONS.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1998]

Subd. 2. **Notice of board vacancies.** Appointing authorities for watershed management organization board members shall publish a notice of vacancies resulting from expiration of members' terms and other reasons. The notices must be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the watershed management organization area. The notices must state that persons interested in being appointed to serve on the watershed management organization board may submit their names to the appointing authority for consideration. After December 31, 1999, staff of local units of government that are members of the watershed management organization are not eligible to be appointed to the board. Published notice of the vacancy must be given at least 15 days before an appointment or reappointment is made.

[For text of subds 3 to 7, see M.S.1998]

History: 1999 c 231 s 126

103B.321 DUTIES OF THE BOARD.

Subdivision 1. **General.** The board shall:

- (1) develop guidelines for the contents of comprehensive water plans that provide for a flexible approach to meeting the different water and related land resources needs of counties and watersheds across the state;
- (2) coordinate assistance of state agencies to counties and other local units of government involved in preparation of comprehensive water plans, including identification of pertinent data and studies available from the state and federal government;
- (3) conduct an active program of information and education concerning the requirements and purposes of sections 103B.301 to 103B.355 in conjunction with the association of Minnesota counties;
- (4) determine contested cases under section 103B.345;
- (5) establish a process for review of comprehensive water plans that assures the plans are consistent with state law;
- (6) report to the house of representatives and senate committees with jurisdiction over the environment, natural resources, and agriculture as required by section 103B.351; and
- (7) make grants to counties for comprehensive local water planning, implementation of priority actions identified in approved plans, and sealing of abandoned wells.

[For text of subds 2 and 3, see M.S.1998]

History: 1999 c 86 art 3 s 8

103B.351 COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT; REPORT REQUIRED.

The board shall, on or before January 15 of each year, submit to the house of representatives and senate committees with jurisdiction over the environment, natural resources, and agriculture a written report on the board's functions and the implementation of sections 103B.201 to 103B.355 since the previous report under this section was submitted. The report to the committees must include the board's recommendations for changes to sections

103B.201 to 103B.355 and any recommendations for funding. The board shall also report to the committees at other times requested by the committees.

History: 1999 c 86 art 3 s 9

103B.581 TERMINATION.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1998]

Subd. 2. **Findings and order.** If the board or joint county authority determines that the existence of the district is no longer in the public welfare or public interest and it is not needed to accomplish the purpose of the Lake Improvement District Law, the board or joint county authority shall make the findings and terminate the district by order. On filing a certified copy of the findings and order with the secretary of state, pollution control agency, and commissioner of natural resources the district is terminated and ceases to be a political subdivision of the state.

[For text of subd 3, see M.S.1998]

History: 1999 c 86 art 1 s 18