

**103B.511 ADMINISTRATION BY COMMISSIONER.**

Subdivision 1. **Purpose.** (a) To preserve and protect the lakes of the state and to increase and enhance the use and enjoyment of the lakes it is in the public interest that a statewide lake improvement program is established to: preserve the natural character of lakes and their shoreland environment where feasible and practical; improve the quality of water in lakes; provide for reasonable assurance of water quantity in lakes, where feasible and practicable; and to assure protection of the lakes from the detrimental effects of human activities and certain natural processes. The commissioner shall coordinate and supervise a local-state program for the establishment of lake improvement districts by counties for lakes located within their boundaries, based on state guidelines and rules and compatible with all state, regional, and local plans where the plans exist.

(b) In administration of this program, the commissioner of natural resources shall consult with and obtain advice from other state agencies on the aspects of the program over which the agencies have specific legislative authority, including the Department of Health and the Pollution Control Agency.

Subd. 2. **Rules.** The commissioner shall adopt permanent rules to provide guidelines, criteria, and standards for the establishment of lake improvement districts by counties.

**History:** 1990 c 391 art 2 s 32; 1995 c 233 art 2 s 56