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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill establishes a new grant program within the Public Facilities Authority and appropriates \$25 million to the newly created program.

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1 Commissioner's certification applicable. Provides that the project certification requirements of section 116.182 apply to the grant program created in section 2.

2 Grant program created.

- Establishes a program in the Public Facilities Authority to make grants to municipalities to cover one-half of the cost of wastewater treatment projects necessitated by wasteload reductions under total maximum daily load plans ("plans") required by the federal Clean Water Act.
- The Pollution Control Agency is responsible for determining eligible project costs and reviewing and certifying approved projects. Projects are to be funded in the order that their plans are approved by the federal Environmental Protection Agency.
- **Grant approvals are not to be made until the Pollution Control Agency has certified and the federal EPA has approved a total maximum daily load plan; the municipality has estimated and the Pollution Control Agency has approved the costs necessary for the municipality to comply with the plan; and all necessary additional**

Section

funding is committed.

- 3** **Appropriation and bond authorization.** Appropriates \$25 million for the grant program established in section 2. Authorizes the sale of state bonds to provide the money appropriated.
- 4** **Effective date.** Effective the day following final enactment.