

CHAPTER 2013-156

House Bill No. 7157

An act relating to ratification of rules implementing total maximum daily loads for impaired water bodies; ratifying specified rules of the Department of Environmental Protection for the sole and exclusive purpose of satisfying any condition on effectiveness pursuant to s. 120.541(3), F.S., which requires ratification of any rule meeting any of specified thresholds for likely adverse impact or increase in regulatory costs; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. (1) The following rules are ratified for the sole and exclusive purpose of satisfying any condition on effectiveness imposed under s. 120.541(3), Florida Statutes:

(a) Subsections (3) through (7) of rule 62-304.300, Florida Administrative Code, entitled "St. Marks River Basin TMDLs," relating to total maximum daily loads for impaired water bodies within the St. Marks River Basin, as filed for adoption with the Department of State pursuant to the certification package dated March 2, 2012.

(b) Subsections (10) and (11) of rule 62-304.330, Florida Administrative Code, entitled "Pensacola Bay Basin TMDLs," relating to total maximum daily loads for impaired water bodies within the Pensacola Bay Basin, as filed for adoption with the Department of State pursuant to the certification package dated February 7, 2013.

(c) Subsections (14) through (20) of rule 62-304.520, Florida Administrative Code, entitled "Indian River Lagoon TMDLs," relating to total maximum daily loads for impaired water bodies within the Indian River Lagoon, as filed for adoption with the Department of State pursuant to the certification package dated March 20, 2013.

(d) Subsection (12) of rule 62-304.610, Florida Administrative Code, entitled "Hillsborough River Basin TMDLs," relating to total maximum daily loads for impaired water bodies within the Hillsborough River Basin, as filed for adoption with the Department of State pursuant to the certification package dated August 20, 2012, and as further corrected by the letter from the Department of Environmental Protection to the Department of State dated February 13, 2013.

(e) Subsections (13) and (14) of rule 62-304.645, Florida Administrative Code, entitled "Springs Coast Basin TMDLs," relating to total maximum daily loads for impaired water bodies within the Springs Coast Basin, as filed for adoption with the Department of State pursuant to the certification package dated March 8, 2013.

(f) Rule 62-304.900, Florida Administrative Code, entitled “Statewide TMDLs,” relating to a statewide total daily maximum load for mercury-impaired water bodies within the state, as filed for adoption with the Department of State pursuant to the certification package dated November 21, 2012.

(2) This act serves no other purpose and shall not be codified in the Florida Statutes. After this act becomes law, its enactment and effective dates shall be noted in the Florida Administrative Code or the Florida Administrative Register or both, as appropriate. This act does not alter rulemaking authority delegated by prior law, does not constitute legislative preemption of or exception to any provision of law governing adoption or enforcement of the rules cited, and is intended to preserve the status of any cited rule as a rule under chapter 120, Florida Statutes. This act does not cure any rulemaking defect or preempt any challenge based on a lack of authority or a violation of the legal requirements governing the adoption of any rule cited.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor June 7, 2013.

Filed in Office Secretary of State June 7, 2013.