1	HOUSE BILL 390
2	44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999
3	INTRODUCED BY
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10	AN ACT
11	RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT; AMENDING AND REPEALING CERTAIN
12	SECTIONS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT ACT TO INCLUDE
13	CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY AUTHORITY FOR
14	DRINKING WATER SYSTEMS; ABOLISHING THE WATER SUPPLY FUND;
15	DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
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17	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
18	Section 1. Section 74-1-7 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1971,
19	Chapter 277, Section 10, as amended) is amended to read:
20	"74-1-7. [ENVIRONMENT] DEPARTMENTDUTIES
21	A. The department is responsible for environmental
22	management and consumer protection programs. In that respect,
23	the department shall maintain, develop and enforce regulations
24	and standards in the following areas:
25	(1) food protection;

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1	(2) water supply, including [regulations		
2	establishing a reasonable system of fees for the provision of		
3	services by the department to public water supply systems, and		
4	water pollution as provided in the Water Quality Act]		
5	implementing a capacity development program and establishing		
6	<u>administrative penalties for enforcement;</u>		
7	(3) liquid waste, including exclusive		
8	authority to implement and administer an inspection and		
9	permitting program for on-site liquid waste systems;		
10	(4) air quality management as provided in the		
11	Air Quality Control Act;		
12	(5) radiation control as provided in the		
13	Radiation Protection Act;		
14	(6) noise control;		
15	(7) nuisance abatement;		
16	(8) vector control;		
17	(9) occupational health and safety as		
18	provided in the Occupational Health and Safety Act;		
19	(10) sanitation of public swimming pools and		
20	public baths;		
21	(11) plumbing, drainage, ventilation and		
22	sanitation of public buildings in the interest of public		
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24	(12) medical radiation, health and safety		
25	certification and standards for radiologic technologists as		

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1	provided in the Medical Radiation Health and Safety Act;		
2	(13) hazardous wastes and underground storage		
3	tanks as provided in the Hazardous Waste Act; and		
4	(14) solid waste as provided in the Solid		
5	Waste Act.		
6	B. Nothing in Subsection A of this section imposes		
7	requirements for the approval of subdivision plats in addition		
8	to those required elsewhere by law. Nothing in Subsection A		
9	of this section preempts the authority of any political		
10	subdivision to approve subdivision plats."		
11	Section 2. Section 74-1-8 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1971,		
12	Chapter 277, Section 11, as amended) is amended to read:		
13	"74-1-8. [Environmental improvement] Boardduties		
14	A. The board is responsible for environmental		
15	management and consumer protection. In that respect, the		
16	board shall promulgate regulations and standards in the		
17	following areas:		
18	(1) food protection;		
19	(2) water supply, including <u>a capacity</u>		
20	development program and regulations authorizing imposition of		
21	administrative penalties for enforcement and establishing a		
22	reasonable system of fees for the provision of services by the		
23	department to public water supply systems;		
24	(3) liquid waste, including exclusive		
25	authority to implement and administer an inspection and		

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1 permitting program for on-site liquid waste systems; 2 (4) air quality management as provided in the Air Quality Control Act; 3 4 radiation control as provided in the (5) Radiation Protection Act: 5 noi se control; 6 (6) 7 (7) nuisance abatement; 8 (8) vector control; 9 (9) occupational health and safety as 10 provided in the Occupational Health and Safety Act; (10)11 sanitation of public swimming pools and 12 public baths; 13 plumbing, drainage, ventilation and (11)14 sanitation of public buildings in the interest of public heal th: 15 16 medical radiation, health and safety (12)certification and standards for radiologic technologists as 17 18 provided in the Medical Radiation Health and Safety Act; 19 (13)hazardous wastes and underground storage 20 tanks as provided in the Hazardous Waste Act; and 21 solid waste as provided in the Solid (14)22 Waste Act. 23 B. Nothing in Subsection A of this section imposes 24 requirements for the approval of subdivision plats in addition 25 to those required elsewhere by law. Nothing in Subsection A

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of this section preempts the authority of any political subdivision to approve subdivision plats.

C. [Fees] <u>Administrative penalties</u> collected pursuant to Paragraph (2) of Subsection A of this section shall be deposited in the water [supply] conservation fund."

Section 3. Section 74-1-10 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1973, Chapter 340, Section 8, as amended) is amended to read: "74-1-10. PENALTY.--

A. A person who violates any regulation of the board is guilty of a petty misdemeanor. This section does not apply to any regulation for which a criminal penalty is otherwise provided by law.

B. Whenever, on the basis of any information, the secretary determines that a person has violated, is violating or threatens to violate any provision of Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subsection A of Section 74-1-8 NMSA 1978 or any rule, regulation or permit condition adopted and promulgated thereunder, the secretary may:

(1) issue a compliance order stating with reasonable specificity the nature of the violation or threatened violation, requiring compliance immediately or within a specified time period and assessing a civil penalty for any past or current violation, or both; or

(2) commence a civil action in district court for appropriate relief, including a temporary or permanent

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2 **C**. An order issued pursuant to Subsection B of this section may include suspension or revocation of any 3 4 permit issued by the department. Any penalty assessed in the 5 order, except for residential on-site liquid waste systems, shall not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each 6 7 vi ol ati on. Any penalty assessed in the order for a 8 residential on-site liquid waste system shall not exceed one 9 hundred dollars (\$100) for each violation. A penalty imposed 10 for violation of water supply system rules or permit conditions shall not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per 11 12 violation per day. In assessing the penalty, the secretary 13 shall take into account the seriousness of the violation and 14 any good-faith efforts to comply with the applicable 15 requirements.

D. If <u>a</u> violator fails to take corrective actions within the time specified in the compliance order, the secretary shall:

(1) assess civil penalties of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each noncompliance with the order; and

(2) suspend or revoke any permit issued to the violator pursuant to Paragraph (3) of Subsection A of Section 74-1-8 NMSA 1978.

E. An order issued pursuant to this section shall

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1 become final unless, no later than thirty days after the order 2 is served, the person named in the order submits a written request to the secretary for a hearing. 3 Upon such a request, 4 the secretary shall conduct a hearing. The secretary shall appoint an independent hearing officer to preside over the 5 The hearing officer shall make and preserve a 6 hearing. 7 complete record of the proceedings and forward his 8 recommendation based on the record to the secretary, who shall 9 make the final decision.

F. In connection with any proceeding pursuant to this section, the secretary may issue subpoenas for the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of relevant papers, books and documents and may adopt and promulgate rules for discovery procedures.

G. Penalties collected pursuant to violations of rules, regulations or permit conditions adopted pursuant to Paragraph (3) of Subsection A of Section 74-1-8 NMSA 1978 shall be deposited in the state treasury to be credited to the general fund.

H. Penalties collected pursuant to violations of rules or permit conditions pursuant to Paragraph (2) of Subsection A of Section 74-1-8 NMSA 1978 shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the water conservation <u>fund.</u>"

Section 4. Section 74-1-12 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993,

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Chapter 317, Section 1) is amended to read:

"74-1-12. COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT--PURPOSE.--The purpose of this [act] section and Section 74-1-13 NMSA 1978 is to provide:

A. an incentive for conservation of water, the state's most precious resource; and

7 **B**. funding for certain locations in the state to 8 comply with the federal Safe Drinking Water Act in which the 9 United States congress mandated that the United States 10 environmental protection agency establish drinking water 11 standards for [eighty-three] contaminants, require filtration 12 and disinfection for all public water supply systems, increase 13 enforcement authority, establish public notification 14 requirements, implement a lead ban and [add drinking water 15 standards for twenty-five contaminants every three years implement a capacity development program for existing and 16 newly created water systems." 17

Section 5. TEMPORARY PROVISION. -- On the effective date of this act, the balance in the water supply fund is transferred to the water conservation fund.

Section 6. REPEAL. Section 74-1-8.3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993, Chapter 100, Section 6) is repealed.

Section 7. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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	10	Your ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE, to		
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	16	recommendation that it DO PASS , and thence referred to the		
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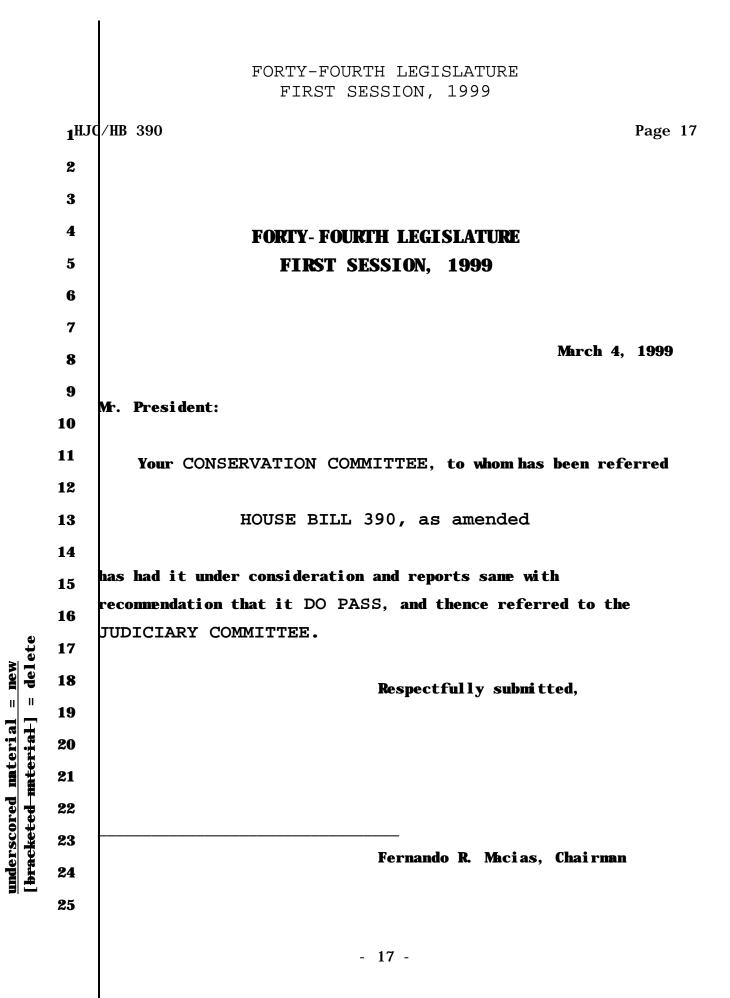
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9	Your JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred
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11	HOUSE BILL 390
12	has had it under consideration and reports same with
13	recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:
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15	1. On page 2, line 5, after "program" insert:
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17	'to assist water systems in acquiring and maintaining
18	technical, managerial and financial capacity in accordance
19	with Section 1420 of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act".
20	2. On page 3, line 20, after "program' insert:
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22	'to assist water systems in acquiring and maintaining
23	technical, managerial and financial capacity in accordance
24	with Section 1420 of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act".
25	3. On page 3, line 21, after "enforcement" insert a
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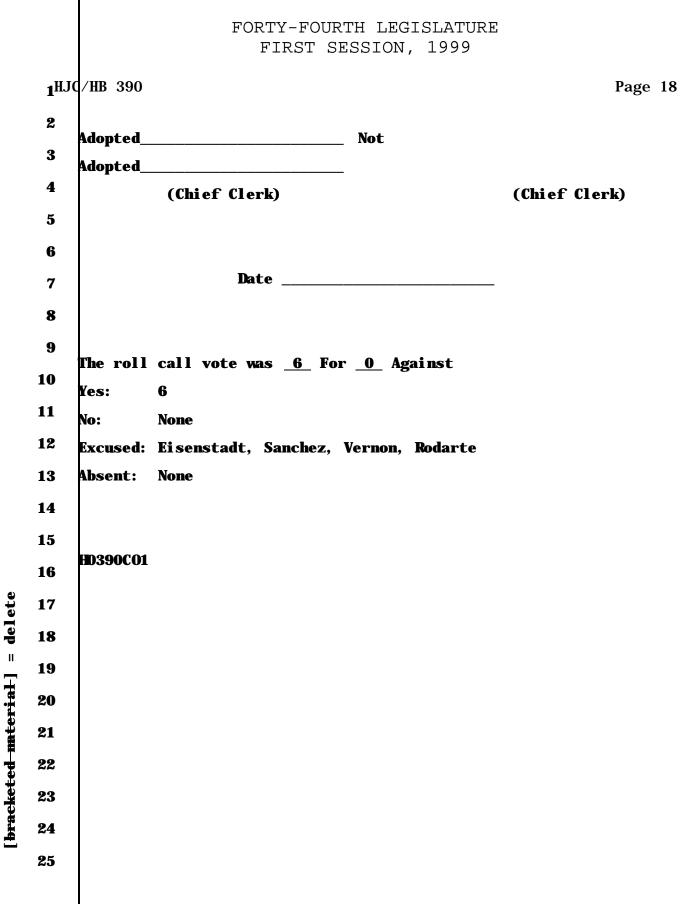
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			4. On page 6, line 10, strike "water supply system rules" and insert in lieu thereof "drinking water regulations 20 NMAC 7.1".
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		10	5. On page 7, line 21, strike "rules" and insert in
		12	lieu thereof "drinking water regulations 20 NMAC 7.1".
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