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Bill No. 1662

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Referred to Committee on (The)
Environment

LCO No. 4405

Introduced by SEN. PAC, 6th Dist.; REP. CIAMPI, 89th Dist.

General Assembly,

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF WATER FROM RIVERS FOR PUBLIC
CONSUMPTION.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Assembly convened:

Section 25-8a of the 1969 supplement to the general statutes
is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

(a) Any town, city, borough or corporation authorized by law to
supply pure water for public or domestic use shall have the power
to divert and use water from any river for public or domestic use
after making written application for and obtaining a permit from
the water resources commission. The application shall include
any information the commission requires and, if the granting of
such a permit would affect the rights of any public service
company, the application shall include either: The writer
consent of such company for such diversion or use; or an order
from the public utilities commission giving its approval for such
diversion or use and awarding such compensation, if any, to such
public service company as it deems equitable. The power herein
granted shall be in addition to any power granted by special act
to any specially chartered corporation, but power to divert and
use water granted by special act after January 1, 1967, to any
such corporation shall be exercised only in accordance with the
provisions of sections 25-8a to 25-8e, inclusive. (b) NO WATER
FOR PUBLIC OR DOMESTIC USE SHALL BE PUMPED OR CONVEYED DIRECTLY
FROM ANY RIVER INTO ANY PUBLIC OR DOMESTIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM
BUT SHALL BE FIRST PUMPED OR CONVEYED TO SOME SUITABLE STORAGE

RESERVOIR THEN PASSED THROUGH AN APPROPRIATE TREATMENT AND 34
FILTRATION FACILITY AND THEN RELEASED INTO SUCH PUBLIC OR
DOMESTIC WATER SUPPLY. 35

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To provide that no water may be pumped 38
directly from any river into any public water supply system but 39
shall be first held in a reservoir and then passed through
appropriate treatment facilities. 40

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets and proposed 42
additions are all capitalized, or underlined where appropriate.] 44