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SYNOPSIS

Requires water supplier to notify affected municipalities, school districts, charter schools, nonpublic schools, and institutions of higher education of violations of drinking water quality standards.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As amended on January 12, 2026 by the General Assembly pursuant to the Governor's recommendations.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/22/2025)

AN ACT concerning notification of violations of drinking water quality standards, and supplementing P.L.1977, c.224 (C.58:12A-1 et seq.).

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. The owner or operator of a public water system shall immediately notify, by telephone and electronic mail, the governing body of a municipality and the chief administrator of every school district, charter school, [1]**[**and**]**[1] nonpublic school[1], and institution of higher education[1] [2]**[**located within the municipality**]** served by the public water system[2] whenever the public water system [1]**[**violates any drinking water quality standard for drinking water supplied by the public water system within the municipality**]** incurs a violation requiring a Tier 2 Public Notice required pursuant to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's National Primary Drinking Water Regulations at Part 141, subpart Q of Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations[1]. The notification shall provide the name of any contaminant that exceeds a drinking water quality standard, the maximum contaminant level or the action level, as appropriate, for the contaminant, the level of the contaminant found on each date, the dates when the tests were performed, the location of each sample tested, and the location of each sample tested that exceeds a maximum contaminant level or action level [2], in addition to any other requirements under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. s.300f et al.)[2]. The owner or operator of the public water system shall also provide information on suggested [2]**[**remedies**]** measures[2] that a customer may take to [2]**[**address**]** minimize the impact of[2] the violation.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.
Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:
[1]Senate SBA committee amendments adopted November 13, 2025.
[2]Assembly amendments adopted in accordance with Governor's recommendations January 12, 2026.