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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1687

DATE PREPARED: Jan 14, 1999

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Public water systems and water supply systems.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill amends the definition of "public water system" for purposes of the law concerning the supplemental drinking water assistance program to include: (1) collection, treatment, storage, and distribution facilities that are under control of the operator of the public water system and used primarily in connection with the public water system and (2) collection or pretreatment storage facilities that are not under control of the operator of the public water system and are used primarily in connection with the public water system.

It also amends the definition of "water supply system" for purposes of: (1) the law concerning operators of water treatment plants, wastewater treatment plants, and water distribution systems and (2) other environmental management laws to mean the system of wells, pumps, structures, pipes, facilities, and other constructed conveyances through which water is obtained, treated as required, and supplied through a water distribution system for the provision to the public for human consumption.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: This bill amends the definitions of "public water system" and "water supply system" to reflect the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's definitions. Indiana is required to amend these definitions in order to maintain primary enforcement authority for the drinking water program. If Indiana fails to amend the definitions by April 28, 2000, Indiana could lose authority for the program and the associated federal grants. The federal grant for FY 99 equals almost \$1.9 million.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Indiana Department of Environmental Management

Local Agencies Affected:

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