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Introduced by M. of A. BUTTENSCHON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to the installation of water monitoring systems at class C high hazard dams

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 1005-b of the public authorities law is amended by adding a new subdivision 15 to read as follows: <u>15. (a) For purposes of this subdivision, the term "dam" shall mean a</u>

4 dam classified by the department of environmental conservation as a 5 class C or high hazard dam pursuant to section 673.5 of part 673 of 6 title 6 of the New York state code of rules and regulations.

7 (b) The canal corporation shall install a water monitoring system at 8 any dam within its jurisdiction, as set forth in subdivision one of this 9 section, provided that the governing board of the municipality in which 10 such dam is located or any other municipality which is adjacent to such 11 municipality and downstream from such dam, after public hearing, adopts 12 a local law, ordinance or resolution providing for such installation.

(c) Water monitoring systems installed at dams pursuant to this subdivision shall be able to provide information in real time about the water level and flood risk at such dams. Such information shall be made available: (i) to local emergency management authorities in order to assist such authorities in their ability to respond to dangerous conditions or flooding at such dams; and (ii) on the alert.ny.gov webpage.

19 (d) The canal corporation is hereby authorized to promulgate rules and 20 regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this subdivision.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such date.

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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