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HOUSE BILL 911: Regulatory Reform Act of 2022, Sec. 22: Provide Additional Guidelines for Development of the Flood Resiliency Blueprint

Committee:		Date:	July 29, 2022
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Analysis of:	Sec. 22 of S.L. 2022-75		

OVERVIEW: Section 22 of S.L. 2022-75 provides additional guidelines for the organization contracted to develop the Flood Resiliency Blueprint (Blueprint) for the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), and requires DEQ to include additional information in its required annual report on the Blueprint.

This section became effective July 12, 2022.

BILL ANALYSIS:

S.L. 2021-180 directed DEQ to contract with an organization to develop and implement a Flood Resiliency Blueprint for major watersheds impacted by flooding.

Section 22 of S.L. 2022-75 requires the organization contracted by DEQ to develop the Blueprint to follow certain guidelines when developing the plan, including creating a standardized method to create requirements and guidelines for major flood risk modeling; develop consistent guidelines to ensure common standard hydrology models; and create and maintain a publicly accessible data and modeling repository. This section also requires DEQ to include in its required report, due on July 1, 2023, recommendations on how data can be incorporated into decision making and decision support tools and an implementation plan to reduce the cost and complexity for local governments to develop flood risk reduction projects.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This section became effective July 12, 2022.

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