



# SENATE BILL 105: 2021 Appropriations Act, Sec. 12.21: Amend Dam Safety Law

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**OVERVIEW:** *Section 12.21 of S.L. 2021-180 amends the Dam Safety Law by expanding the exemption for small dams less than 20 feet in height or that have an impoundment capacity of less than 15 acre-feet, when a qualified engineer, who demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Department of Environmental Quality experience in dam design, conducts dam failure analyses based on both storm-induced failure and normal weather geologic, structural, or seismic failure scenarios and determines that the dam is not a high hazard dam.*

*This section became effective July 1, 2021.*

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