

An **exemption for some water treatment systems** was included in H.790 which passed in the recently completed 2010 Legislative Session. The following language was effective on June 4, 2010.

Sec. 33. 10 V.S.A. § 1974(4), (5), and (6) are added to read:

(4) The installation or use of a water treatment system for a potable water supply where the treatment system is designed to:

(A) reduce or eliminate water hardness;

(B) reduce or eliminate properties or constituents on the list of secondary standards in the Vermont water supply rules;

(C) reduce or eliminate radon, lead, arsenic, or a combination of these; or

(D) eliminate bacteria or pathogenic organisms, provided that the treatment system treats all of the water used for drinking, washing, bathing, the preparation of food, and laundering.

(5) The installation or use of a water treatment device, provided that the installation or use is overseen by the secretary as a part of a response action due to contamination or the threat of contamination of a potable water supply by a release or threat of release of a hazardous material or any other source of contamination.

(6) The increase in flow to an existing wastewater system as a result of the use of an exempt water treatment system under subdivisions (4) and (5) of this section.