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## Florida League of Cities Celebrates Signing of HB 1475, Applauds Gov. DeSantis

Bill will help with cleanup of Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl substances

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**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** – The **Florida League of Cities** (FLC), celebrating its 100th anniversary as the united voice for Florida's municipal governments, today celebrated the passage of HB 1475 (Cleanup of Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances) and commended Governor Ron DeSantis for signing the bill.

The League issued the following statement on the signing of HB 1475:

"On behalf of Florida's cities, towns and villages, the League applauds Governor DeSantis for signing HB 1475 and thanks Representative Lawrence McClure for sponsoring the bill this session. The presence of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in soil and water has been a concern for some time now. Addressing those concerns however has been difficult due to the lack of established standards, among other challenges. HB 1475 will help to address that by requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt statewide rules for cleanup target levels for PFAS in drinking water, soil and groundwater. Those rules are then required to be ratified by the Legislature. This bill is a step in the right direction and will hopefully provide much needed clarity and guidance as we all work together towards a safer, cleaner environment."

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