

LEGISLATIVE BILL 449

Approved by the Governor May 12, 1973

Introduced by Johnson, 15

AN ACT relating to fluoridation; to provide for mandatory fluoridation of water supplies by all political subdivisions except as prescribed; to provide an operative date; and to repeal sections 71-3301, 71-3303, and 71-3304, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, and section 71-3302, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, any political subdivision as defined in section 23-2102, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, that provides the water supply of any city or village for human consumption shall add fluoride to such water supply in the amount and manner prescribed by the rules and regulations of the Department of Health.

(2) Fluoride shall not be added to the water supply of any city or village in which the voters have, after the effective date of this act, adopted an ordinance by initiative prohibiting the adding of fluoride to its water supply. The procedure for the adoption of any such ordinance shall be that provided in Chapter 18, article 1, sections 19-427 to 19-430, or sections 19-638 to 19-644, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943.

Sec. 2. Any public or private entity not included in section 1 of this act which provides a water supply for human consumption and which is not required to add fluoride to such water supply may add fluoride to such water supply in the amount and manner prescribed by the rules and regulations of the Department of Health.

Sec. 3. This act shall become operative January 1, 1975.

Sec. 4. That sections 71-3301, 71-3303, and 71-3304, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, and section 71-3302, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972, are repealed.