

Well water bill gains final coastal supporter

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State Rep. Buddy Carter, R-Pooler, on Thursday signed on to a bill to prevent treated wastewater or other surface water from being pumped into the Floridan aquifer, which supplies drinking water on the coast.

He was the last coastal representative to do so.

A current moratorium on the practice, known as aquifer storage and recovery, is set to expire at the end of the year.

The bill, HB 552, was modified Thursday to delete a provision Carter objected to that would have allowed surface water to be pumped into the aquifer to prevent saltwater intrusion.

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