65-171h. **Minimum standards for sanitary water and sewage systems.** The secretary of health and environment in pursuance of his general power of supervision over the interests of the health and life of the citizens of this state, and the sanitary conditions under which they live and in order to protect the quality of the waters of the state for beneficial uses is hereby authorized and empowered to develop, assemble, compile, approve and publish minimum standards of design, construction, and maintenance of sanitary water and sewage systems, and shall publish and make available such approved minimum standards to municipalities, communities and citizens of this state, and shall from time to time make recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature, for any legislation that may be required to adequately protect air in enclosed spaces, and water supply from contamination.

**History:** L. 1951, ch. 363, § 2; L. 1967, ch. 333, § 5; L. 1974, ch. 352, § 42; July 1.