City of Portland Clean Drinking Water Measure

The Clean Drinking Water Measure shall be added as Article 4 to Chapter 12 of the City of Portland's City Charter and read:

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- (1) To protect the purity and quality of the City of Portland's drinking water, the City or any agent of the City, shall not add any chemical or other substance to the City's drinking water that is a by-product of any industrial or manufacturing process, or that could cause the City's drinking water to exceed the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Maximum Contaminant Level Goals.
- (2) This prohibition does not apply to the addition of substances intended to make drinking water potable.
- (3) To the extent this measure removes or affects any prior grant of authority under the City Charter, that permitted the addition of chemicals or substances described in Section 1, the City is specifically forbidden from exercising such authority in a manner contrary to Section 1.
- (4) If any provision of this measure is found to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining prohibitions.