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This is a mistake, just read between the lines, OHA and DEQ submit a joint report to the Legislative Assembly on Certification Programs for Water and Wastewater System Operators. The most recent report, published January 2025, provides information and updates on the two certification programs, as well as data on the number of certificates and systems requiring certified operators. What need corrected and adjusted in the State's methodology and S.O.P. of purposely trying to drive out more experienced operators, the harassment by the State agencies of operators and the over use of fines for minor human errors, such as, simple paperwork error. Operators for this state need to be Perfect or fines and attacks are the norm. Change the norm, not flooding the market with operators, this State has done this before and it did not work well.