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MEDIA ADVISORY

Fluoridation of city water could end under proposed legislation

The fluoridation of Milwaukee's drinking water – a practice begun in 1953 prior to fluoridated toothpastes and mouthwashes being readily available to the public – could end immediately under a Common Council resolution sponsored by **Alderman Jim Bohl**.

The resolution (**attached**) – to be introduced at today's regular meeting of the Common Council – orders "the immediate cessation and prohibition of the introduction of sodium silicofluoride or any fluoride compound into water distributed by the Milwaukee Water Works." If approved, the measure would bring Milwaukee in line with an increasing number of cities that are ending the practice of fluoridation.

The resolution could be assigned to the Council's **Steering and Rules Committee** and scheduled for a hearing at the committee's May 31 meeting.

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