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CHAPTER 329
HOUSE BILL 2661

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Water resources development commission; members;
3 responsibilities; report; delayed repeal

4 A. The director of the department of water resources shall appoint a
5 water resources development commission. The commission membership shall be
6 made up of no more than fifteen members with knowledge about a variety of
7 water resource and water management issues around the state and representing
8 a regional and geographic cross-section of the state. The director or
9 designee of the director shall act as chair of the commission. A co-chair
10 shall be appointed by the director from the membership of the commission.

11 B. The commission shall:

12 1. Compile and consider the projected water needs of each county in
13 the next twenty-five, fifty and one hundred years.

14 2. Identify and quantify the water supplies currently available in
15 each county.

16 3. Identify potential water supplies that could be used to meet
17 additional demands in the next twenty-five, fifty and one hundred years.

18 4. Identify any legal and technical issues associated with use of
19 those supplies.

20 5. Identify potential mechanisms to finance the acquisition of water
21 supplies and any infrastructure necessary to treat or deliver the water
22 supplies.

23 6. Make recommendations regarding the need for further studies and
24 evaluations.

25 C. The department of water resources, central Arizona water
26 conservation district, Arizona water banking authority, and rural water study
27 groups shall provide technical support for the commission.

28 D. The commission shall prepare a report of its findings and
29 recommendations, including recommendations for suggested legislation, and
30 submit it to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives and
31 the president of the senate, on or before October 1, 2011. The commission
32 shall provide a copy of this report to the secretary of state.

33 E. This section is repealed from and after September 30, 2012.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR MAY 11, 2010.

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