

PROPOSED

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2540

(Reference to printed bill)

1 Page 3, line 2, strike "FROM AND AFTER"

2 Line 30, after "D." insert "EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 45-615.01,
3 SUBSECTION G,"

4 Page 5, line 12, after "DISTRICTS" insert "ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO TITLE 48,
5 CHAPTER 19"

6 Page 7, between lines 9 and 10, insert:

7 "Sec. 7. Laws 2017, chapter 305, section 132 is amended to read:

8 Sec. 132. Department of water resources; appropriations;
9 contributions to Lake Mead conservation efforts;
10 temporary groundwater and irrigation efficiency
11 projects fund; conservation and augmentation
12 fund; exemption

13 A. The sum of \$2,000,000 is appropriated from the state general fund
14 in ~~each of~~ fiscal ~~years~~ YEAR 2017-2018, ~~2018-2019 and 2019-2020~~ to the
15 department of water resources to use for this state's financial
16 contributions to efforts by Arizona's Colorado River water users to
17 conserve water in Lake Mead to reduce the likelihood of lake elevations
18 dropping to levels that could result in reductions to Arizona's Colorado
19 River allocation.

20 B. THE SUM OF \$2,000,000 IS APPROPRIATED FROM THE STATE GENERAL FUND
21 IN FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 TO THE TEMPORARY GROUNDWATER AND IRRIGATION
22 EFFICIENCY PROJECTS FUND ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 45-615.01, ARIZONA REVISED
23 STATUTES, AS ADDED BY THIS ACT.

1 C. THE SUM OF \$2,000,000 IS APPROPRIATED FROM THE STATE GENERAL FUND
2 IN FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 TO THE AUGMENTATION AND CONSERVATION ASSISTANCE
3 FUND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING
4 ADDITIONAL MONIES FOR CONSERVATION GRANTS FOR CONSERVATION OF GROUNDWATER
5 IN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS AS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-617, ARIZONA
6 REVISED STATUTES.

7 ~~B.~~ D. The appropriations made in ~~subsection A~~ of this section are
8 exempt from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes,
9 relating to lapsing of appropriations.

10 Sec. 8. Director of water resources; lower basin drought
11 contingency plan implementation; notice, report

12 The director of water resources shall:

13 1. Promptly provide notice to the committees with jurisdiction over
14 water issues in the house of representatives and the senate regarding any
15 meeting of a public body to consider or take action on an agreement
16 intended to implement the lower basin drought contingency plan.

17 2. Present information to the committees with jurisdiction over
18 water issues in the house of representatives and the senate regarding the
19 status of any agreement intended to implement the lower basin drought
20 contingency plan before the director executes any such agreement.

21 3. Report to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house
22 of representatives, the governor and the committees with jurisdiction over
23 water issues in the house of representatives and the senate on the status
24 of any agreement necessary to the intrastate drought contingency
25 implementation plan thirty, sixty and ninety days after enactment of the
26 joint resolution regarding the Colorado River drought contingency
27 implementation plan."

28 Renumber to conform

29 Page 7, line 37, after "districts" insert "established pursuant to title 48,
30 chapter 19, Arizona Revised Statutes,"

1 Page 7, line 42, after "districts" insert "established pursuant to title 48,
2 chapter 19, Arizona Revised Statutes,"

3 Line 43, after the period insert "The legislature intends that these
4 construction and rehabilitation projects be completed by the end of 2022,
5 recognizing that completion by that date depends on action on applications
6 for monies and the timely receipt of grants from federal agencies, in
7 addition to the other monies in the fund. Because the timing for the
8 issuance of grants from federal agencies is uncertain, the legislature will
9 consider other appropriations to be made available to the irrigation
10 districts for these construction and rehabilitation projects after
11 reasonable attempts are made to secure the funding and that federal monies
12 were not provided timely to carry out the purposes of the fund."

13 Page 8, between lines 2 and 3, insert:

14 "Sec. 10. Legislative intent: lower Colorado River drought
15 contingency plan

16 A. The drought contingency plan is a compromise between various
17 states and Arizona stakeholders, is intended to help address shortages in
18 the Colorado River system and is the product of months of stakeholder
19 meetings with input from a wide array of persons in this state.

20 B. The drought contingency plan is one of the most significant
21 pieces of water legislation enacted in this state since the 1980
22 groundwater management act. It is the first step, not the last step, in a
23 renewed effort to create long-term solutions that protect Arizona's water
24 future.

25 C. The health of the Colorado River is essential to the long-term
26 economic welfare of the people of Arizona, and this state must continue to
27 develop sustainable long-term plans that protect our water supply and
28 encourage a culture of conservation."

29 Renumber to conform

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- 1 Page 8, line 5, strike "\$5,000,000" insert "\$7,000,000"
- 2 Amend title to conform

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