

REFERENCE TITLE: groundwater management; technical correction

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Introduced by
Representative Carter P

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

**ENACTING AND ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE PEOPLE OF A MEASURE RELATING
TO GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT.**

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona,
2 the Senate concurring:

3 1. Under the power of the referendum, as vested in the legislature,
4 the following measure, relating to groundwater management, is enacted to
5 become valid as a law if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the
6 Governor:

7 AN ACT

8 AMENDING SECTION 45-576.05, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING
9 TO GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT.

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

11 Section 1. Section 45-576.05, Arizona Revised Statutes,
12 is amended to read:

13 45-576.05. Alternative method for determining
14 consistency with the management goal in a
15 groundwater replenishment district;
16 terminating designation

17 A. If at any time after January 1 of the calendar year
18 following the year in which a groundwater replenishment
19 district is required to submit its preliminary plan under
20 section 45-576.02, subsection A, paragraph 1 the director
21 determines that one or more of the conditions prescribed in
22 section 45-576.01, subsection A, paragraphs 2 and 3 are not
23 met and for as long as the condition or conditions are not
24 met, the director shall consider only the groundwater
25 replenishment district member's projected supplies of surface
26 water, effluent or groundwater withdrawn outside the active
27 management area in which the district member is located and
28 the amount in a long-term storage account established pursuant
29 to section 45-852.01 in making a determination of whether the
30 district member's projected water use is consistent with the
31 management goal of the active management area under section
32 45-576.

33 B. If a groundwater replenishment district member is a
34 municipal provider that was designated as having an assured
35 water supply, and the director determines that one or more of
36 the conditions prescribed by section 45-576.01, subsection A,
37 paragraphs 2 and 3 are no longer met, and until the director
38 again determines that all of those conditions are met, the
39 designation terminates unless the district member reapplies
40 for and the director grants a redesignation pursuant to this
41 subsection. In considering whether to redesignate the
42 district member, the director shall only consider the
43 following in determining whether the district member's
44 projected water use is consistent with the management goal of
45 the active management area pursuant to section 45-576:

- 1 1. The district member's projected supplies of:
- 2 (a) Surface water.
- 3 (b) Effluent.
- 4 (c) Groundwater withdrawn outside the active management
- 5 area in which the district member is located.
- 6 2. The district member's projected supply of
- 7 groundwater withdrawn in the active management area in which
- 8 the district member is located up to an amount equal to one
- 9 hundred times the largest amount of groundwater withdrawn in
- 10 the active management area by the district member for its
- 11 customers' use in any calendar year in the five calendar years
- 12 immediately preceding the year in which the director
- 13 determines that one of the conditions prescribed by section
- 14 ~~45-576~~ 45-576.01, subsection A, paragraphs 2 and 3 is no
- 15 longer met.
- 16 3. The amount in a district member's long-term storage
- 17 account established pursuant to chapter 3.1 of this title.
- 18 2. The Secretary of State shall submit this proposition to the
- 19 voters at the next general election as provided by article IV, part 1,
- 20 section 1, Constitution of Arizona.