

REFERENCE TITLE: assured water supply; agricultural water

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SB 1260

Introduced by
Senator Dunn

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 45-576.10, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO
GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 45-576.10, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended
3 to read:

4 45-576.10. Waterlogged area; assured water supply;
5 designation

6 A. On application to the department by a city or town, the director
7 may designate a portion of ~~a~~ THE city or town that is located both in the
8 area delineated for exemption under section 45-411.01 and in the Phoenix
9 active management area as having an assured water supply if all of the
10 following apply:

11 1. The portion of the city or town seeking an assured water supply
12 designation is located entirely within an irrigation and water
13 conservation district established pursuant to title 48, chapter 19 OR IS
14 LOCATED ON LANDS SERVED BY AN AGRICULTURAL WATER COMPANY.

15 2. The city or town seeking an assured water supply designation has
16 contracted with the irrigation and water conservation district OR THE
17 AGRICULTURAL WATER COMPANY for a term of not less than one hundred years
18 under which the city or town will receive water that the landowners in the
19 district have the right to use on their lands OR LANDS SERVED BY AN
20 AGRICULTURAL WATER COMPANY and will treat and deliver the water for
21 exclusive use on irrigation and conservation district lands for municipal
22 use.

23 3. Sufficient surface water or effluent of an adequate quality will
24 be continuously available to satisfy the portion of ~~a~~ THE city's or
25 town's proposed water needs for not less than one hundred years.

26 4. The city or town demonstrates the financial capability to
27 construct the water facilities, including delivery systems, storage
28 facilities and treatment works, necessary to make the supply of water
29 available for the proposed use. The director may accept evidence of the
30 construction assurances required by section 9-463.01, 11-822 or 32-2181 to
31 satisfy this requirement.

32 B. For the purposes of this section and within an exemption area
33 established pursuant to section 45-411.01:

34 1. The director may review the determination that a portion of a
35 city or town has an assured water supply.

36 2. The director may determine that a portion of a city or town does
37 not have an assured water supply.