SENATE BILL NO. 488-COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

MARCH 24, 2003

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes appropriation to Legislative Committee on Public Lands for study to determine feasibility of rehabilitating Bishop Creek Dam in Elko County. (BDR S-1133)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: Contains Appropria

Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included in Executive Budget.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT making an appropriation to the Legislative Committee on Public Lands for a study to determine the feasibility of rehabilitating the Bishop Creek Dam in Elko County; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Legislative Committee on Public Lands created by NRS 218.5363 the sum of \$15,000 to contract with a qualified entity to study the feasibility of renovating or reconstructing a dam at the Bishop Creek Dam Site in Elko County.
 - 2. The study must include:

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- (a) An analysis of the availability of water rights to provide water to fill and operate a dam at the site efficiently without causing conflicts with other existing water rights;
- (b) An analysis of the cost of constructing a road to provide access for construction equipment, materials and labor to renovate or reconstruct a dam at the site; and
- (c) A survey of the amount and location of public access that would be available to the reservoir if a dam were renovated or reconstructed at the site.



Sec. 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by section 1 of this act must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2005, and reverts to the State General Fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003. 2 4 5



