

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 325—ASSEMBLYMEN MORTENSON, ALLEN, ARBERRY, ATKINSON, BOBZIEN, BUCKLEY, CHRISTENSEN, CLABORN, COBB, CONKLIN, GANSERT, GERHARDT, GOEDHART, GOICOECHEA, GRADY, HOGAN, HORNE, KIHUEN, KIRKPATRICK, KOIVISTO, MABEY, MANENDO, MARVEL, MUNFORD, OHRENSCHALL, PARKS, PIERCE, SEGERBLOM, WEBER AND WOMACK

MARCH 15, 2007

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Makes various changes concerning water.
(BDR 48-1165)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: No.

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

AN ACT relating to water; requiring certain water authorities that propose the transfer of water from one county to another to submit monthly reports to the county or counties of origin, to the State Engineer and the United States Department of the Interior; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 This bill requires a water authority that is organized as a political subdivision
2 created by cooperative agreements that operates in all or a portion of a county
3 whose population is 400,000 or more and proposes the transfer of water from one
4 county to another, to submit monthly to: (1) the board of county commissioners of
5 each county from which the water is proposed to be transferred; (2) the State
6 Engineer; and (3) the United States Department of the Interior, findings and reports
7 that detail the water authority's testing and investigation of the feasibility of the
8 transfer. Upon request, such a water authority is also required to provide the
9 findings and reports to the public.



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

Section 1. Chapter 533 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. A water authority that proposes the transfer of water from the county of origin to another county shall prepare and submit on a monthly basis to:

(a) The board of county commissioners of the county of origin;

(b) The State Engineer; and

(c) The United States Department of the Interior,

↳ the water authority's findings and reports which are related to the testing and investigation of the feasibility of the proposed transfer of water.

2. The findings and reports that are required pursuant to subsection 1 must include, without limitation, a statement of explanation of any findings or data from the previous month and whether the findings or data are preliminary in nature.

3. The water authority shall, upon request, make the reports and findings prepared pursuant to subsection 1 available to the public.

4. As used in this section, "water authority" means a water authority organized as a political subdivision created by cooperative agreement that operates in all or a portion of a county whose population is 400,000 or more.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

