
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 453—ASSEMBLYMEN
GOICOECHEA AND GRADY

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JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS AMODEI AND MCGINNESS

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Makes certain provisions relating to water rights applicable to the Newlands Reclamation Project. (BDR S-1298)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
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; making certain provisions relating to water rights applicable to the Newlands Reclamation Project under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law requires the Carson Water Subconservancy District to establish a
2 program to acquire surface water rights to assist in the resolution of certain legal
3 and administrative challenges regarding water rights for the Newlands Reclamation
4 Project. (Chapter 515, Statutes of Nevada 1999, p. 2633) Existing law also provides
5 for the exemption of certain provisions relating to water rights from certain
6 amendments to law made in 1999. (Chapter 515, Statutes of Nevada 1999, p. 2634).
7 This bill provides that those exemptions do not apply to water rights of the
8 Newlands Reclamation Project after the number of water rights appurtenant to
9 6,500 acres of land have been acquired and retired pursuant to the surface water
10 rights acquisition program established by the Carson Water Subconservancy
11 District.



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

Section 1. Section 7 of chapter 515, Statutes of Nevada 1999,
at page 2634, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 7. ~~{The}~~

*1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the
amendatory provisions of sections 1, 2 and 3 of this act:*

~~{1-}~~ *(a) Do not apply to water rights that are under
challenge in any legal or administrative proceeding which is
pending on or before April 1, 1999; and*

~~{2-}~~ *(b) Do not constitute a legislative declaration that the
law to be applied in any such pending proceeding is different
from or the same as set forth in this act.*

*2. The provisions of NRS 533.037, 533.040 and
533.060 shall apply to water rights of the Newlands
Reclamation Project after the aggregate water rights of the
Newlands Reclamation Project that are retired reach the
number of water rights appurtenant to 6,500 acres of land,
having been acquired and retired by the program provided
for in subsection 4 of section 5 of chapter 515, Statutes of
Nevada 1999, or otherwise retired as abandoned or forfeited
in any legal or administrative proceeding, notwithstanding
the date of commencement of any such proceeding.*

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

