

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 11–
Committee on Natural Resources

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Urging cooperation among the State Engineer and certain local governments, water authorities and districts concerning issues relating to water resources in this State.

WHEREAS, The waters of this State are among its most precious and vital resources and play an important part in the economic development of this State; and

WHEREAS, The availability of accurate technical information is the foundation for making prudent decisions concerning water resources; and

WHEREAS, Adequate, long-term supplies of water are essential in ensuring stable economic growth and development in the rural and urban areas of this State; and

WHEREAS, It is vital to the economy of this State and the welfare of its residents that the water in this State be distributed equitably among all users; and

WHEREAS, The use of domestic wells is not adequately regulated in rapidly developing rural communities where residential development primarily uses domestic wells rather than municipal water systems; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the Nevada Legislature urges the State Engineer to establish a statewide system for managing and sharing information relating to the use, management and allocation of groundwater resources in this State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Nevada Legislature urges each town, municipality, city, county, irrigation district, water purveyor, water district, water authority, water system and water conservancy district in this State to cooperate with the State Engineer in establishing such a system; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Nevada Legislature urges local governments in rural areas to encourage development of new businesses and industries which are suitable for the water resources available in those rural areas; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Nevada Legislature urges the State Engineer and all cities and counties in this State to which a water right is dedicated upon the creation of a new parcel to cooperate in establishing a procedure for the consolidation of those water rights with a single permit or other appropriate document, and to develop a



procedure for including future dedications of water rights in the permit or other document as those dedications occur; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the State Engineer, the Nevada League of Cities and the Nevada Association of Counties and to the Nevada Water Resources Association for distribution to each town, municipality, city council, board of county commissioners, irrigation district, water purveyor, water district, water authority, water system and water conservancy district in this State.

