

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 194

By COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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- 1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 29 and delete page 2 and insert:
- 2 **“SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**
- 3 **“(a) ‘High priority watershed’ means a watershed identified by the Water Resources De-**
- 4 **partment and the State Department of Fish and Wildlife as being among those watersheds**
- 5 **having the greatest biological need and the greatest restoration opportunity.**
- 6 **“(b) ‘Measurement’ means the use of a water measuring device to determine at the point**
- 7 **of diversion:**
- 8 **“(A) The amount of surface water diverted; and**
- 9 **“(B) The rate or the rate and duty.**
- 10 **“(c) ‘Significant diversion’ means a diversion of surface water:**
- 11 **“(A) For which a permit condition requires a water measuring device;**
- 12 **“(B) That diverts more than five cubic feet per second; or**
- 13 **“(C) That diverts:**
- 14 **“(i) More than 0.25 cubic feet per second; and**
- 15 **“(ii) More than 10 percent of the lowest monthly 50 percent exceedance flow as defined**
- 16 **by the Water Resources Department water availability model.**
- 17 **“(d) ‘Water measuring device’ means equipment installed and maintained by a water user**
- 18 **that is capable of measuring at the diversion point the amount of surface water diverted.**
- 19 **“(2) The Water Resources Department shall biennially report to the Legislative Assembly**
- 20 **regarding:**
- 21 **“(a) The number of significant diversions that are located in high priority watersheds,**
- 22 **have installed water measuring devices and are measuring water; and**
- 23 **“(b) If the measurement of all significant diversions within high priority watersheds has**
- 24 **been achieved, the number of significant diversions within this state that have installed wa-**
- 25 **ter measuring devices and are measuring water use.**
- 26 **“(3) The Water Resources Department shall biennially file with a Senate committee**
- 27 **dealing with environmental or natural resource issues a request that the committee hold a**
- 28 **public hearing to allow department testimony and public comment regarding the report.”.**
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