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SENATE BILL

No. 449

Introduced by Senator Galgiani

February 21, 2013

An act to add Section 147.3 to the Water Code, relating to water.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 449, as amended, Galgiani. Local water supply programs or projects: funding.

Existing law requires that the Department of Water Resources annually prepare and submit to the Legislature a report that includes a description of the progress achieved by the department with regard to meeting the goals of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program and a related implementation schedule. The department also is required annually to prepare and submit to the Legislature a report with regard to the budget for the State Water Resources Development System.

This bill would require the department to conduct a statewide inventory of local regional water supply projects and post specified results of the inventory on the department's Internet Web site by July 1, 2014.

~~This bill would prohibit the department from funding, through loans, grants, or direct expenditure, specific programs or projects within the service area of, or otherwise directly benefiting, an urban or agricultural water supplier that receives water from, transferred through, or used in the Delta watershed, unless the department determines that the water supplier is reducing its dependence on the Delta, as specified.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
 State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 147.3 is added to the Water Code, to read:
 2 147.3. (a) The department shall conduct a statewide inventory
 3 of local regional water supply projects and post the results of the
 4 inventory on the department's Internet Web site by July 1, 2014.
 5 (b) The inventory information posted on the department's
 6 Internet Web site pursuant to subdivision (a) shall include, but not
 7 be limited to, all of the following:
 8 (1) The projected date for a project to complete the permit
 9 process and subsequently commence operations.
 10 (2) The cost of the project.
 11 (3) The projected additional acre feet of water realized on an
 12 annual basis.
 13 ~~SECTION 1. Section 147.3 is added to the Water Code, to~~
 14 ~~read:~~
 15 ~~147.3. (a) The department shall not fund, through loans, grants,~~
 16 ~~or direct expenditure, programs or projects within the service area~~
 17 ~~of, or otherwise directly benefiting, an urban or agricultural water~~
 18 ~~supplier that receives water from, transferred through, or used in~~
 19 ~~the Delta watershed, unless the department determines that the~~
 20 ~~water supplier is reducing its dependence on the Delta pursuant to~~
 21 ~~this section.~~
 22 ~~(b) The department shall deem an urban water supplier to be~~
 23 ~~reducing its dependence on the Delta pursuant to this section if all~~
 24 ~~of the following conditions are met:~~
 25 ~~(1) The department determines the urban water supplier has~~
 26 ~~fully complied with the provisions of both Part 2.55 (commencing~~
 27 ~~with Section 10608) and Part 2.6 (commencing with Section 10610)~~
 28 ~~of Division 6.~~
 29 ~~(2) The urban water supplier demonstrates, to the department's~~
 30 ~~satisfaction, that the water supplier has identified, evaluated, and~~
 31 ~~commenced implementation, consistent with the implementation~~
 32 ~~schedule set forth in the urban water management plan, all~~
 33 ~~programs and projects included in the plan that are locally cost~~
 34 ~~effective and technically feasible which reduce reliance on the~~
 35 ~~Delta.~~

1 ~~(3) The urban water supplier includes in its urban water~~
2 ~~management plan, commencing in 2015, the expected outcome~~
3 ~~for measurable reduction in Delta reliance and improvement in~~
4 ~~regional self-reliance. The expected outcome for measurable~~
5 ~~reduction in Delta reliance and improvement in regional~~
6 ~~self-reliance shall be reported in the urban water management plan~~
7 ~~as the reduction in the amount of water used, or in the percentage~~
8 ~~of water used, from the Delta watershed. For the purposes of~~
9 ~~reporting, water efficiency is considered a new source of water~~
10 ~~supply, consistent with subdivision (a) of Section 1011.~~

11 ~~(e) The department shall deem an agricultural water supplier to~~
12 ~~be reducing its dependence on the Delta pursuant to this section~~
13 ~~if all of the following conditions are met:~~

14 ~~(1) The department determines the agricultural water supplier~~
15 ~~has fully complied with the provisions of both Part 2.55~~
16 ~~(commencing with Section 10608) and Part 2.8 (commencing with~~
17 ~~Section 10800) of Division 6.~~

18 ~~(2) The agricultural water supplier demonstrates, to the~~
19 ~~department's satisfaction, that the water supplier has identified,~~
20 ~~evaluated, and commenced implementation, consistent with the~~
21 ~~implementation schedule set forth in the agricultural water~~
22 ~~management plan, all programs and projects included in the plan~~
23 ~~that are locally cost effective and technically feasible which reduce~~
24 ~~reliance on the Delta.~~

25 ~~(3) The agricultural water supplier includes in its agricultural~~
26 ~~water management plan, commencing in 2015, the expected~~
27 ~~outcome for measurable reduction in Delta reliance and~~
28 ~~improvement in regional self-reliance. The expected outcome for~~
29 ~~measurable reduction in Delta reliance and improvement in regional~~
30 ~~self-reliance shall be reported in the agricultural water management~~
31 ~~plan as the reduction in the amount of water used, or in the~~
32 ~~percentage of water used, from the Delta watershed. For the~~
33 ~~purposes of reporting, water efficiency is considered a new source~~
34 ~~of water supply, consistent with subdivision (a) of Section 1011.~~

35 ~~(d) Programs and projects that reduce reliance may include, but~~
36 ~~are not limited to, improvements in water use efficiency, water~~
37 ~~recycling, stormwater capture and use, advanced water~~
38 ~~technologies, conjunctive use projects, local and regional water~~
39 ~~supply and storage projects, and improved regional coordination~~
40 ~~of local and regional water supply efforts.~~

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