

AMENDED IN SENATE AUGUST 17, 2016

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2896

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Introduced by Assembly Member ~~Roger Hernández~~ *Eduardo Garcia*

March 1, 2016

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An act to amend Section 1684 of the Labor Code, relating to private employment, relating to water, and making an appropriation therefor.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2896, as amended, ~~Roger Hernández~~ *Eduardo Garcia*. ~~Farm labor contractors: license: payment. Water quality: funding for planning, environmental, and design documents: Salton Sea.~~

*Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards prescribe waste discharge requirements in accordance with the federal Clean Water Act and the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, referred to as the state act. The state act imposes various penalties for a violation of its requirements. The state act requires specified penalties be deposited into the Waste Discharge Permit Fund and separately accounted. The state act requires moneys in the fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to be expended by the state board for the purposes of the act.*

*This bill would appropriate \$1,400,000 from the fund to the state board to provide grants and enter into contracts for the development of planning, environmental, and design documents in furtherance of projects to eliminate public health and safety risks from drainage of*

wastewater, agricultural runoff, and runoff from urbanized areas into tributaries of the Salton Sea.

~~Existing law requires farm labor contractors to be licensed by the Labor Commissioner and to comply with specified employment laws applicable to farm labor contractors. Existing law requires farm labor contractors to pay license fees to the Labor Commissioner, and continuously appropriates a portion of the fee revenues from the Farmworker Remedial Account for enforcement and verification purposes.~~

~~This bill would authorize the Labor Commissioner to accept a credit card charge as a method of payment for those license fees, as provided.~~

~~Vote: majority <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>. Appropriation: no/yes. Fiscal committee: no/yes. State-mandated local program: no.~~

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

1     SECTION 1. Notwithstanding subdivision (c) of Section 13264,  
 2     subdivision (f) of Section 13268, subdivision (k) of Section 13350,  
 3     and paragraph (2) of subdivision (n) of Section 13385 of the Water  
 4     Code, one million four hundred thousand dollars (\$1,400,000) is  
 5     hereby appropriated to the State Water Resources Control Board  
 6     from the moneys deposited into, and separately accounted for, in  
 7     the Waste Discharge Permit Fund pursuant to the balance of  
 8     penalty revenues generated by the imposition of liabilities pursuant  
 9     to subdivision (c) of Section 13264, subdivision (f) of Section  
 10    13268, subdivision (k) of Section 13350, and paragraph (2) of  
 11    subdivision (n) of Section 13385 of the Water Code. The moneys  
 12    appropriated pursuant to this section are available to the State  
 13    Water Resources Control Board to provide grants or to enter into  
 14    contracts for the development of planning, environmental, and  
 15    design documents in furtherance of projects to eliminate public  
 16    health and safety risks from drainage of wastewater, agricultural  
 17    runoff, and runoff from urbanized areas into tributaries of the  
 18    Salton Sea.

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**All matter omitted in this version of the bill  
appears in the bill as amended in the  
Senate, August 2, 2016. (JR11)**

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