

**Introduced by Senator Stone**

January 27, 2015

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An act to add Section 115843 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to drinking water.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 143, as introduced, Stone. Diamond Valley Reservoir: recreational use.

Existing law, with certain exceptions, prohibits recreational use, in which there is bodily contact with water, in a reservoir in which water is stored for domestic use and establishes water standards for those exempted reservoirs.

This bill would exempt from this prohibition recreational activity in which there is bodily contact with water by any participant in the Diamond Valley Reservoir if certain standards are met.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Diamond Valley Reservoir in the County of Riverside.

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 115843 is added to the Health and Safety
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 115843. (a) In the Diamond Valley Reservoir, recreational
- 4 uses shall not include recreation in which there is bodily contact
- 5 with the water by any participant, unless both of the following
- 6 conditions are satisfied:

1 (1) The water subsequently receives complete water treatment,  
2 including coagulation, flocculation, sedimentation, filtration, and  
3 disinfection, before being used for domestic purposes.

4 (2) The reservoir is operated in compliance with regulations of  
5 the State Water Resources Control Board, as provided in Section  
6 115830.

7 (b) The recreational use may be subject to additional conditions  
8 and restrictions adopted by the entity operating the water supply  
9 reservoir, if the conditions and restrictions do not conflict with  
10 regulations of the State Water Resources Control Board and are  
11 designed to further protect or enhance the public health and safety.

12 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special law  
13 is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable  
14 within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California  
15 Constitution because of the unique recreational needs of the  
16 Diamond Valley Reservoir in the County of Riverside and the  
17 enactment of this special law is necessary for the use of water for  
18 the public good.