Introduced by Senator Fuller

February 26, 2015

An act relating to groundwater management.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 568, as introduced, Fuller. Groundwater management.

Existing law, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, requires all groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the Department of Water Resources that are designated as basins subject to critical conditions of overdraft to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans by January 31, 2020, and requires all other groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans by January 31, 2022, except as specified. The act authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board to designate a basin as a probationary basin if the state board makes a certain determination and authorizes the state board to develop an interim plan for the probationary basin.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

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

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

- SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to the Sustainable Groundwater Management
- 3 Act.