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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—1997–98 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2240

Introduced by Assembly Member House

February 19, 1998

An act to amend Section 21382 of, to add Section 21377.5 to, and to repeal Section 21379 of, the Water Code, relating to irrigation districts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2240, as amended, House. Irrigation districts: regular meetings.

Under the Irrigation District Law, the board of directors of an irrigation district is required to hold a regular meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at the district office. ~~Under the Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act, meetings of state bodies, as defined, are required to be open and public. All meetings of the board are required to be public and all special meetings are required to be held pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act. That act requires all meetings of the legislative bodies of local agencies, as defined, to be open and public, with specified exceptions, and imposes specified notice and agenda requirements.~~

This bill would permit the Board of Directors of the Tri-Dam Project, which is composed of the directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District and the South San Joaquin Irrigation District, to hold no more than 4 regular meetings annually at the Tri-Dam Project offices located in Strawberry,

California. The bill would also require that these meetings comply with the ~~Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act~~ *Ralph M. Brown Act*.

The bill would expressly require that the all meetings of the board of directors of an irrigation district be conducted pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 21377.5 is added to the Water
2 Code, to read:

3 21377.5. (a) Notwithstanding Section 21377 of this
4 code or Section 54954 of the Government Code or any
5 other provision of law, the Board of Directors of the
6 Tri-Dam Project, which is composed of the directors of
7 the Oakdale Irrigation District and the South San Joaquin
8 Irrigation District, may hold no more than four regular
9 meetings annually at the Tri-Dam Project offices located
10 in Strawberry, California.

11 (b) The notice and conduct of these meetings shall
12 comply with the provisions of the ~~Bagley-Keene Open~~
13 ~~Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 1120)~~
14 ~~of Title 2 of Division 3 of the Government Code).~~ *Ralph*
15 *M. Brown Act (Chapter 9 (commencing with Section*
16 *54950) of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government*
17 *Code).*

18 SEC. 2. Section 21379 of the Water Code is repealed.

19 ~~21379. Special meetings of the board shall be held~~
20 ~~pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act (Chapter 9~~
21 ~~(commencing with Section 54950) of Part 1 of Division 2~~
22 ~~of Title 5 of the Government Code).~~

23 SEC. 3. Section 21382 of the Water Code is amended
24 to read:

25 21382. All meetings of the board shall be public and
26 shall be conducted in accordance with the *Ralph M.*



- 1 *Brown Act (Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 54950)*
- 2 *of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code).*

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