

Legislative Wrap Up

Bill	Requester	Summary	Description	Status
AB030	Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Water Resources	Revises provisions governing the appropriation of water	Authorizes the State Engineer, under certain circumstances, to consider the approval of a proposal to avoid or eliminate conflicts between an applicant for a permit to appropriate water and the existing holders of water rights and owners of domestic	Withdrawn by the Governor
AB062	Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Water Resources	Revises provisions governing the perfection of water rights	Revises the time period for which the State Engineer may grant an extension for the completion of work for the diversion of water; authorizing, under certain circumstances, the State Engineer to suspend the limitation of time for the completion of work set forth in a permit or an extension previously granted	Signed by Governor
AB095	Legislative Committee on Public Lands	Revises provisions relating to water	Requires the State Engineer to continue to allow withdrawals of groundwater from domestic wells under certain circumstances in groundwater basins where withdrawals have been restricted to conform to priority rights	Signed by Governor
AB163	Assm. Watts	Revises provisions governing water conservation	Revises certain requirements relating to a plan of water conservation; revising minimum standards for plumbing fixtures in new construction and expansions and renovations in certain structures	Signed by Governor
AB233	Assm. Kramer	Revises provisions governing certain assessments on water	Under current law, a county is required to levy a special assessment annually, or at such time as needed, upon all taxable property situated within the confines of a particular water basin designated by the State Engineer to pay certain salaries and expenses of well supervisors, assistants and the Well Drillers' Advisory Board if certain license fees are not sufficient. (NRS 534.040) This bill authorizes a county to instead pay those salaries and expenses by appropriating money from the general fund of the county if the amount of the special assessment upon a property owner is less than the cost of collecting the assessment.	Signed by Governor
SB140	Sen. Committee on Natural Resources	Revises provisions relating to appropriations of water in water basins	Requires the State Engineer to reserve a certain percentage of the remaining water available for appropriation in certain basins; prohibiting the appropriation of such water; authorizing the use of such water in certain circumstances	Signed by Governor
SB236	Sen. Goicoechea	Revises provisions relating to a change in the point of diversion	Existing law requires a person to submit an application for a permit to change the place of diversion of water already appropriated. (NRS 533.325-533.345) Section 1 of this bill creates an exception from this requirement where: (1) both the original place of diversion and new place of diversion are located on the same property for which water has already been appropriated; and (2) the new place of diversion is located not more than 300 feet from the original place of diversion.	Signed by Governor
SB250	Sen. Settelmeyer	Revises provisions relating to water dedicated for projects	Limits the use of certain rights to appropriate water which have been dedicated to certain public entities	Signed by Governor
SB499	Office of the Governor, Office of Finance	Creates the Advisory Board of Water Resources Planning and Drought Resiliency	Creates the Advisory Board on Water Resources Planning and Drought Resiliency within the Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources	Failed (1st Committee)
SB232	Sen. Settelmeyer	Revises certain provisions relating to irrigation districts	Authorizes the trustee or trustees of irrigation districts to designate a beneficiary of a trust to vote in certain elections, sign certain petitions and run for certain offices of an irrigation district	Signed by Governor

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AB051	Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Water Resources	Revises provisions governing the management of hydrologically connected groundwater and surface water resources	Requires the State Engineer to adopt regulations relating to the conjunctive management of groundwater and surface water; authorizing the State Engineer to impose certain special assessments related to a program for the conjunctive management of groundwater and surface water; providing that certain water rights are not subject to abandonment or forfeiture	Failed (1st Committee)
AB265	Assm. Peters	Makes various changes relating to water	Requires the Desert Research Institute to conduct a study concerning water treatment and recycling	Failed (1st House)
SB280	Senate Minority Leader	Revises provisions relating to natural resources	Existing law requires the State Land Registrar to establish by regulation the amount of fees for an application and usage for certain uses of state lands, including uses associated with navigable bodies of water. Section 1 of this bill defines the terms “navigable body of water” and “navigable river.” Section 3 of this bill establishes the amount of the fees charged by the State Land Registrar for an application for certain uses of state land. Section 4 of this bill establishes the amount of the annual fees charged by the State Land Registrar for certain uses of state land associated with navigable bodies of water.	Failed (1st Committee)
SB150	Sen. Goicoechea	Revises provisions relating to planning and zoning	Requires with limited exception, the governing body of a county or city to develop and maintain a water resource plan; authorizing grants of money to certain governing bodies for the development and maintenance of water resource plans	Signed by Governor