

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 191—ASSEMBLYMEN DELONG; DICKMAN,
GALLANT AND GURR

FEBRUARY 20, 2023

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to water conservation.
(BDR 48-697)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to water; revising provisions relating to a plan of water conservation and plan for incentives relating to water conservation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law requires each supplier of water to: (1) adopt a plan of water
2 conservation and update the plan every 5 years; (2) include with the plan of water
3 conservation a water loss audit or certain water loss calculations; and (3) adopt a
4 plan to provide certain incentives relating to water conservation. Existing law
5 defines a “supplier of water” to include any public or private entity that supplies
6 water for municipal, industrial or domestic purposes. (NRS 540.121-540.151) This
7 bill revises the definition of “supplier of water” to exclude a private entity with a
8 water right of 3 acre-feet or less per year that supplies water for municipal,
9 industrial or domestic purposes. As a result of the change to the definition of
10 “supplier of water,” this bill removes the requirement for such a private entity to
11 adopt and update a plan of water conservation, conduct a water loss audit or
12 calculate water losses or adopt a plan to provide certain incentives relating to water
13 conservation.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 540.121 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 540.121 **1.** As used in NRS 540.121 to 540.151, inclusive,
3 “supplier of water” includes, but is not limited to:



1 ~~F1~~ (a) Any county, city, town, local improvement district,
2 general improvement district and water conservancy district;

3 ~~F2~~ (b) Any water district, water system, water project or water
4 planning and advisory board created by a special act of the
5 Legislature; and

6 ~~F3~~ (c) Any other public or private entity,
7 ↪ that supplies water for municipal, industrial or domestic
8 purposes.

9 2. The term does not include ~~F4~~:

10 (a) A public utility required to adopt a plan of water
11 conservation pursuant to NRS 704.662 ~~F5~~; or

12 (b) *A private entity that holds a water right for the use of 3*
13 *acre-feet or less of water per year that supplies water for*
14 *municipal, industrial or domestic purposes.*

