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To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Inland Empire regional water recycling... (Introduced in the House)

HR 131 IH

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To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Inland Empire regional water recycling project, to authorize the Secretary to carry out a program to assist agencies in projects to construct regional brine lines in California, and to authorize the Secretary to participate in the Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstration and reclamation project.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**January 3, 2001**

Mr. GARY MILLER of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Inland Empire regional water recycling project, to authorize the Secretary to carry out a program to assist agencies in projects to construct regional brine lines in California, and to authorize the Secretary to participate in the Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstration and reclamation project.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. INLAND EMPIRE REGIONAL WATER RECYCLING PROJECT.

(a) IN GENERAL- The Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act

(Public Law 102-575, title XVI; 43 U.S.C. 390h et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

SEC. 1635. INLAND EMPIRE REGIONAL WATER RECYCLING PROJECT.

(a) IN GENERAL- The Secretary, in cooperation with the Inland Empire Utilities Agency, may participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Inland Empire regional water recycling project described in the report submitted under section 1606.

(b) COST SHARING- The Federal share of the cost of the project described in subsection (a) shall not exceed 25 percent of the total cost of the project.

(c) LIMITATION- Funds provided by the Secretary shall not be used for operation or maintenance of the project described in subsection (a).

(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS- There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$20,000,000.'

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT- The table of sections in section 2 of Public Law 102-575 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 1634 the following:

'Sec. 1635. Inland Empire Regional Water Recycling Project.'

SEC. 2. REGIONAL BRINE LINES.

(a) IN GENERAL- The Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act (Public Law 102-575, title XVI; 43 U.S.C. 390h et seq.) is further amended by adding at the end the following:

SEC. 1636. REGIONAL BRINE LINES.

(a) IN GENERAL-

(1) SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA- The Secretary, in cooperation with units of local government, may carry out a program under the Federal reclamation laws to assist agencies in projects to construct regional brine lines to export the salinity imported from the Colorado River to the Pacific Ocean as identified in--

(A) the Salinity Management Study prepared by the Bureau of Reclamation and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California; and

(B) the Southern California Comprehensive Water Reclamation and Reuse Study prepared by the Bureau of Reclamation.

(2) SAN FRANCISCO BAY AND SANTA CLARA VALLEY- The Secretary may carry out a study of, and a program under the Federal reclamation laws to assist water agencies in, projects to construct regional brine lines in the San Francisco Bay area and the Santa Clara Valley area, California.

(b) AGREEMENTS AND REGULATIONS- The Secretary may enter into such agreements and promulgate such regulations as are necessary to carry out this section.

(c) COST SHARING-

`(1) PROJECTS- The Federal share of the cost of a project to construct regional brine lines described in subsection (a) shall not exceed--

`(A) 25 percent of the total cost of the project; or

`(B) \$50,000,000.

`(2) STUDY- The Federal share of the cost of the study described in subsection (a)(2) shall be 50 percent.

`(d) LIMITATION- Funds provided by the Secretary shall not be used for operation or maintenance of any project described in subsection (a).'

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT- The table of sections in section 2 of Public Law 102-575 is further amended by inserting after the item relating to section 1635 the following:

'Sec. 1636. Regional brine lines.'

SEC. 3. LOWER CHINO DAIRY AREA DESALINATION DEMONSTRATION AND RECLAMATION PROJECT.

(a) IN GENERAL- The Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act (Public Law 102-575, title XVI; 43 U.S.C. 390h et seq.) is further amended by adding at the end the following:

'SEC. 1637. LOWER CHINO DAIRY AREA DESALINATION DEMONSTRATION AND RECLAMATION PROJECT.

`(a) IN GENERAL- The Secretary, in cooperation with the Chino Basin Watermaster, the Inland Empire Utilities Agency, the Western Municipal Water District, and the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority and acting under the Federal reclamation laws, shall participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstration and reclamation project.

`(b) COST SHARING- The Federal share of the cost of the project described in subsection (a) shall not exceed--

`(1) 25 percent of the total cost of the project; or

`(2) \$50,000,000.

`(c) LIMITATION- Funds provided by the Secretary shall not be used for operation or maintenance of the project described in subsection (a).

`(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS- There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this section.'

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT- The table of sections in section 2 of Public Law 102-575 is further amended by inserting after the item relating to section 1636 the following:

'Sec. 1637. Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstration and reclamation project.'

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