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1 SENATE BILL 697

2 45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2001

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO WATER; PROVIDING FOR DETERMINATION OF WATER RIGHTS
12 OF SYSTEMS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THE SANITARY PROJECTS ACT.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

15 Section 1. A new section of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978 is
16 enacted to read:

17 "[NEW MATERIAL] WATER RIGHTS--RURAL DOMESTIC WATER
18 SYSTEMS.--The state engineer shall determine all rights to the
19 use of the waters by rural domestic water systems established
20 pursuant to the Sanitary Projects Act whose original members
21 obtained domestic water from ditches, springs, rivers or
22 shallow wells. The determination shall be consistent with the
23 average daily gallons of water per person diversion statewide
24 among the systems as documented by the office of the state
25 engineer in 1995 by categories in New Mexico counties and

1 river basins and irrigated acreage and shall not result in a
2 reduction of existing diversions. "

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